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1.0 BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION

A 39-mile stretch of the Fox River and portions of Green Bay in northeastern Wisconsin (the Fox River site) are contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) laden sediment. The contamination was caused by historical effluent discharges from paper mills manufacturing and/or recycling carbonless paper that utilized dyes dissolved in PCBs. PCBs are the primary contaminant of concern; however other contaminants of concern (COCs) identified in the baseline risk assessment include dioxins/furans, DDT, Deildrin, arsenic, lead, and mercury. A Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) has been performed under the direction of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and a draft report was issued in 1999. The study concluded that a total of approximately 7.25 million cubic yards of sediment requires removal in order to meet a clean up goal of 1 ppm PCBs. A proposed Remedial Action Plan for the lower Fox River and Green Bay was published in October 2001.

DNR contracted with Minergy Corporation (Minergy) to investigate thermal treatment technology alternatives for Fox River site sediment remediation. Based on an initial study of sediment physical and chemical properties, Minergy recommended vitrification of the sediment in an oxyfuel fired glass furnace (Glass Furnace Technology or GFT). In cooperation with DNR and EPA's Superfund Innovative Technology Evaluation (SITE) group, Minergy has completed bench-scale and pilot-scale testing of the GFT process and the results are favorable. In general, completed studies have demonstrated that the PCB contaminated river sediment can be successfully converted into a vitrified glass aggregate product meeting ASTM specifications for blended cements. The process and environmental performance data generated during the pilot-scale test also indicate that a commercial-scale GFT application is feasible.

Minergy was contracted by DNR to perform a review of relevant state and federal permitting requirements for a full scale sediment melter facility. The results of that study are presented in this report.

1.1 History of Fox River site Investigation and Remediation Efforts

Numerous studies have been performed on the Fox River site, including mass balance studies to quantify the nature an extent of contamination and remedial feasibility and technology studies. The first RI/FS was initiated by a private-public partnership known as the Fox River Coalition. This study resulted in an expanded database of contamination magnitude and extent and eventually, under funding by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and EPA, led to the first remediation pilot project (the Deposit N pilot demonstration project).

In 1994 the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (F&WS) and other co-trustees initiated a Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA). Seven paper companies were identified as potentially responsible parties (PRPs) and became know as the Fox River Group (FRG). Following unsuccessful attempts to negotiate the RI/FS work with the FRG, the Fox River Intergovernmental Partnership was formed in 1997, comprising primarily the EPA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the F&WS, DNR, and the Menominee and Oneida Indian Tribes of Wisconsin. The partnership goal was to share federal, state, and tribal resources to develop a comprehensive cleanup and restoration plan for the lower Fox River and Green Bay.

On July 28, 1998 the EPA formally proposed inclusion of the lower Fox River and Green Bay site on the National Priorities List (NPL). The NPL is a listing of the nations hazardous waste sites eligible for cleanup under the federal Superfund program. The state of Wisconsin was opposed to this listing, and EPA agreed to delegate lead trustee responsibility for the RI/FS and site cleanup to DNR.

Although the Fox River site cleanup will be conducted by the State of Wisconsin, DNR will follow the CERCLA Superfund process. In February 1999, DNR released a draft RI/FS for public review and comment, and in November of 1999 DNR and EPA completed work on the Deposit N pilot demonstration project. The demonstration project showed that dredging of the PCB-contaminated sediment could be performed in an environmentally safe manner in

compliance with regulatory and permitting requirements and with support from the public and neighboring industries. Based on the RI/FS, DNR and EPA have developed a Proposed Remedial Action Plan (Proposed Plan) for cleanup of the lower Fox River and Green Bay.

The Proposed Plan describes various cleanup options considered and identifies the option that DNR and EPA believes to be the most appropriate for each reach of the five operable units (OU) identified. For three of the OU, the Proposed Plan recommends removal of approximately 7.25 million cubic yards (cy) of contaminated sediment containing over 29,200 kilograms (64,200 pounds) of PCBs using dredging techniques that minimize adverse environmental impacts. The Proposed Plan recommends that dredged sediments be disposed in one or more off-site licensed solid waste disposal facilities. DNR and EPA are also considering thermal treatment of dredged sediment using the Minergy GFT process. The Proposed Plan recommends monitored natural recovery of the residual PCB contamination for the other two OU.

The public comment period on the Proposed Plan ended on January 21, 2002. A final RI/FS and initial record of decision (ROD) for the Fox River site are in progress and expected to be published in late 2002.

1.2 Minergy GFT Feasibility Studies

The GFT, designed by Minergy, has been successfully demonstrated on a pilot scale to convert contaminated Fox River site sediment to glass products with a wide variety of applications while encapsulating metal contaminants and destroying PCBs and other toxic organics. To date, three phases of GFT study have been substantially completed. Phase I involved a characterization of the mineral composition of the river sediments to determine whether a commercially viable glass aggregate product could be produced with the GFT. The conclusions from this initial phase indicated that the river sediment composition was favorable for glass manufacturing, and that the physical and chemical characteristics of the sediments were geographically consistent. Phase II involved crucible melts of actual Fox River site sediment and the preliminary engineering design for a pilot scale melter. The Phase I and II study results indicated GFT technology could be both feasible and economically viable for treating Fox River site sediments. Finally, Phase III

involved the construction and operation of a pilot scale GFT to generate operational data and determine the cost and treatment effectiveness of the technology for a potential full-scale implementation.

The Phase III pilot scale GFT demonstration was conducted from May to August 2001 at Minergy's GlassPack Test Center in Winneconne, Wisconsin under the EPA SITE program. The primary objectives of the demonstration were to determine the treatment efficiency of PCBs in dredged and dewatered river sediment when processed in the GFT, and to determine whether the GFT glass aggregate product meets the criteria for beneficial reuse under relevant federal and state regulations. Three secondary objectives included: 1) determine the unit cost of operating the GFT on dewatered dredged river sediment; 2) quantify the organic and inorganic contaminant losses resulting from the existing or alternative drying process used for the dredged and dewatered river sediment; and 3) characterize organic and inorganic constituents in all GFT process input and output streams.

Minergy published the final sediment melter demonstration report on December 1, 2001. EPA has not yet published a final SITE program report for the GFT demonstration project; however, data validation was completed on January 5, 2002 and EPA has released the study data.

1.3 GFT Permitting Feasibility

Minergy performed a preliminary air quality permitting feasibility study in January 2002. This study, based on the pilot scale melter demonstration project results, concluded that a full scale GFT would be fully permittable under applicable federal and Wisconsin air regulations. However, due to the complexity and breadth of regulatory applicability to the proposed GFT remediation technology, DNR requested that Minergy perform a more detailed and comprehensive permitting feasibility study for a full scale GFT implementation.

The objective of this permitting feasibility study was to define multi-media environmental permits, licenses, and approvals (including regulatory requirements) that would be needed for a

proposed full scale (250 glass ton/day) GFT facility located on or near the Fox River site remediation project dredged sediment dewatering site(s).

This study was focused on major state and federal environmental regulations that are implemented through permits, licenses, or approvals. The study did not provide the comprehensive review of non-permit related environmental requirements (for example: SARA and CERCLA reporting, SPCC plan, SDWA, etc.).

2.0 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Multi-media regulatory analyses, precedent research, and agency communications were performed to define the environmental permitting requirements and mechanisms that would apply to the proposed commercial-scale GFT facility. The detailed results of this study are presented in Sections 4.0 and 5.0 of this document. Major findings and conclusions pertaining to GFT project permitting feasibility are summarized below.

1. A commercial-scale GFT facility can be constructed and operated in compliance with environmental regulations and standards.

On-Site GFT Facility

- 2. The GFT facility would be exempt from the need to obtain permits, licenses, or approvals if it were constructed on—site (i.e., in very close proximity to the contamination). Under this scenario, the CERCLA on-site permit exemption would apply, and numerous redundant and time-consuming administrative permitting and approval requirements could be avoided. EPA has provided guidance on streamlining on-site CERCLA actions and avoiding permitting equivalency procedures that would delay a cleanup.
- 3. Several technical and logistical constraints must be considered in determining whether it would be feasible to construct and operate the proposed GFT facility on-site. These include solid waste processing facility locational criteria, proximity to sediment dewatering operations, and availability of suitable property for acquisition. DNR has not yet determined whether a GFT facility could be located on-site.
- 4. The facility would still be required to meet the substantive applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) of applicable statutes and regulations. This mechanism provides for expedited implementation of the remedial design while ensuring that substantive regulatory requirements are met.

5. On-site construction and operation (exempting the GFT facility from permitting) would significantly streamline approval and public participation procedures and shorten the time required to design and build the GFT facility. It should be noted, however, that the lead agency has the authority to impose ARARs and other Federal or State policies, guidelines, or propose rules capable affecting the schedule.

Off-Site GFT Facility

- 6. Permits, approvals, or licenses (referred to as 'permits' in the remainder of this section) would be required for PCB Management, Air Quality, Solid Waste, and Wastewater. It was assumed that process wastewater would be treated and discharged to a publicly owned treatment works (POTW). In addition, storm water management permits, one for facility construction and one for operation, would be required.
- 7. The air construction permit, industrial wastewater pretreatment permit, storm water construction permit, and solid waste processing license would need to be applied for and obtained prior to beginning construction.
- 8. The 40 CFR Part 761 rules covering storage, and the detailed PCB waste incineration requirements in Part 761, only apply to wastes containing 50 ppm or greater PCBs. Because of the lengthy timeframe required to obtain final approval from EPA Region 5 for melting these wastes it may be advantageous to obtain permits from DNR to begin storing and melting sediments containing less than 50 ppm PCBs. The facility could begin melting the less than 50 ppm PCB waste while securing approvals for >50 ppm material. This type of operation would probably require that a sediment sampling and segregation protocol be developed to distinguish between sources greater or less than 50 ppm.
- 9. Sediment containing 50 ppm or greater PCBs could not be melted until EPA Region 5 issued a final PCB disposal permit.

- 10. Final EPA approval for melting sediment containing 50 ppm or greater PCBs requires that emissions do not exceed 0.001 g/kg PCB fed. Based on contacts with EPA Region 5 personnel, analytical methods quantifying only the Arochlor series in the feed material, and only the 10 PCB homolog groups in the exit gas have been approved for demonstrating compliance with the PCB emission limit.
- 11. The federal PCB management regulations and the Wisconsin solid waste regulations require applicants to provide a financial responsibility mechanism (i.e., surety bond, closure insurance, closure letter of credit, corporate guarantee, or other form of financial commitment specified in the regulations) to both EPA and DNR for facility closure. EPA would not require post closure care if all the closure requirements for the GFT facility have been met.
- 12. Based on current Minergy emission estimates, a minor source (i.e., non-Prevention of Significant Deterioration [PSD]) construction permit would be required for the GFT facility prior to beginning construction. Also, a major source (Title V) operation permit would be required because the potential NO_X emission rate is greater than 100 tons per year. The operation permit application must be submitted in parallel with the construction permit application; however, the facility could begin operating before obtaining the operation permit.
- 13. Demonstration of compliance with NR 445 and 446 toxic air contaminant regulations would be required under both on-site and off-site GFT scenarios. For off-site permitting, the demonstration must be included in the air construction permit application. The analysis must include emissions estimates and possibly ambient impact analyses (i.e., dispersion modeling) for stack emissions related to many of the contaminants already identified in the sediments. Post operation testing may also be required.
- 14. Based on the assumption that the GFT facility would discharge process wastewater to a POTW, a pretreatment permit would probably be required by the POTW. The process wastewater to be discharged would need to meet a PCB discharge limit included in the

permit issued under section 307(b) or 402 of the Clean Water Act. DNR must also approve the plans and specifications for the wastewater pretreatment plant. For storm water management, notices of intent (NOIs) must be submitted for coverage under general storm water permits for construction and operation. DNR could require the facility to apply for and obtain an individual storm water permit for operation, instead of a general permit.

- 15. Each of the permitting requirements identified above involves public participation except for general storm water permits. Multiple public notices, comment periods, and at least one public hearing should be anticipated under the off-site construction scenario. Under the onsite scenario, redundant and time-consuming program-specific public participation procedures would be avoided, and public involvement would be streamlined.
- 16. In addition to the identified permitting requirements, DNR may require an environmental analysis and/or environmental impact report for one or more permits pursuant to the Wisconsin Environmental Policy Act (WEPA) [Environmental Analysis and Procedures for Department Actions NR 150].

Open Items

17. Feedback received from Region 5 indicated that there was some question as to whether TWCA could be waived under an on-site CERCLA permit waiver. However, as stated in OSWER Directive 9355.7-03: "...response actions conducted by a lead agency, or by a potentially responsible party or other person under an order or consent decrees with EPA, are covered under the ambit of CERCLA section 121(e)(1). Response actions by a lead agency include those response actions implemented by EPA, the Coast Guard, or other Federal Agency. They also include response actions implemented by a State or political subdivision operating pursuant to a contract or cooperative agreement executed pursuant to CERCLA Section 104(d)(1), under which EPA selects (or must approve) the remedy."

18. The provider of dewatered sediment to a melter facility would need to determine which system they would use to certify whether or not sediment is regulated by TSCA (i.e., concentrations measured in situ or after dewatering).

Table 2-1. Summary of GFT Facility Permitting Requirements

	Note: If the GFT facility is located on-site in the context of CERCLA, an exemption from permitting requirements applies.					
Regulatory Program	Agency	Permit / Approval Type	Public Participation	Description		
PCB Management	DNR and EPA Region V	Operation Approvals	Yes	 Detailed approval application(s) required Separate approvals obtained from DNR an EPA, covering sediment storage and incineration Demonstration test required Initial Research and Development (R&D) approval recommended 		
Air Quality	DNR	Construction Permit	Yes	 Minor source construction permit procedures Detailed, complete permit application required Construction permit from DNR required prior to beginning construction 		
	DNR and EPA (Title V)	Operation Permit	Yes	 Title V (Part 70) source permit or synthetic minor operating permit Detailed, complete permit application required with certification Permit not required prior to commence operation EPA review required for Title V permit 		
Solid Waste	DNR	Plan of Operation Approval(s) and Operating License(s)	Yes	 Initial site approval Construction inspection may be required Detailed licensing application required DNR may agree to combine approvals under PCB regulation with solid waste approval 		

Wastewater	Local/Municipal & DNR	Pretreatment Permit ^a	Yes	 Pretreatment permit from POTW incorporating PSNS and sewer use ordinance required POTW pretreatment permit must include PCB discharge limit DNR must review and approve plans and specifications
Storm Water	Department of Commerce	Construction Permit	No	 Notice of Intent (NOI) and Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) must be submitted prior to beginning construction
	DNR	Operation Permit	No	 Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) must be submitted prior to beginning construction Notice of Intent (NOI) must be submitted prior to operation

^a Assumes GFT facility process wastewater will be discharged to a POTW. A second possibility is that wastewater will be discharged to the sediment dewatering facility WPDES treatment plant under agreement/contract.

3.0 FACILITY DESCRIPTION

This section provides a brief description of the proposed 250 ton glass/day GFT facility and defines in general terms the air, water, and solid waste discharges expected based on preliminary design information contained in previously published documents. Commercial-scale GFT design and process rate information is summarized in Table 3-1. The information presented in this section provides the basis for defining applicable environmental requirements for the facility. It should be noted that some of the information presented in this section may change during the detailed design phase of the project. Each plant area is discussed in more detail below.

3.1 Sediment Handling and Storage

It has been assumed for this study that the GFT facility will be separate from (but possibly adjacent to) a principal dewatering site for dredged Fox River site sediment. The dewatered sediment, containing approximately 50% free moisture, will be transported from the dewatering site to the GFT facility's sediment storage building. The method of transport has not yet been chosen. During warm weather, sediment will be stockpiled in this building allowing for continuous processing during the cold winter months when dredging and dewatering operations may be idle.

Outdoor handling operations and temporary sediment piles at the GFT facility are expected to be a minor source of fugitive dust and possibly organic compound emissions. Storm water runoff from these operations may contain entrained sediment. It is assumed that the sediment storage building will have roof ventilators with negligible emissions. Some amount of leachate will likely be generated during storage of the dewatered sediment. This low volume flow would be directed to the water collection system and sent to the wastewater treatment plant along with the other water discharge.

Table 3-1. Summary of Proposed Commercial-Scale GFT Design Parameters

Parameter	Value	Units
Sediment Feed Rate (design)	600	Ton/day
Aggregate Production Rate (design)	250	Ton/day
Melter Temperature	2,500 – 2,900	• F
Dryer Condensate Rate	48	GPM
Scrubber Blowdown Rate	15	GPM
Cooling Tower Blowdown Rate	37	GPM
Melter Exhaust Rate	4,940	dscm/hr
Auxiliary Heater Size	< 100	mmBtu/hr input (HHV)

3.2 Sediment Drying

The dewatered sediment will be prepared for drying by first mixing it with dried sediment to approximately 25-30% moisture. From this point, the sediment will be conveyed to the dryers, which will reduce the moisture content to approximately 5-10%. Heat for drying will be supplied by hot oil. The hot oil will be heated by both melter exhaust gas and by an auxiliary natural gas-fired heater. Vapors from the drying process will be conveyed through a mechanical collector to remove entrained fines, and then conveyed through a venturi scrubber and packed tower arrangement. Exhaust vapor from the tower will be recycled through the dryers. The entire system will be operated under negative pressure. A small split stream from the packed tower exhaust fan will be directed to a burner on the melter.

There are no direct emission points associated with the drying operation. Only the natural gas-fired auxiliary heater, a support facility for the drying operation, will exhaust directly to the atmosphere. Emissions from the dryers (the split stream) will be combusted in the melter and emitted through the melter exhaust stack. This emission point is further discussed in Section 3.3 – Melter Operations. All sediment conveyors, storage hoppers, and silos will be of a closed design and will be ventilated continuously through a high efficiency fabric filter located within the dryer building. Collected dust will be directed back to one of the dry sediment storage silos.

The only process wastewater stream from this area will be approximately 48 GPM of water condensed from the dryer exhaust stream. No solid waste streams other than normal plant trash from routine operation and maintenance are expected from the dryer plant.

3.3 Melter Operation

Dried sediment will be discharged from each dryer into a storage hopper, one for each dryer. The sediment will then be conveyed to a mixing hopper to allow for the addition of fluxing agent (ground limestone) to control the melting temperature. The mixing hopper will supply six chargers feeding dried sediment into the melter. Molten glass from the melter will discharge into a water-filled quench tank, where the material will solidify and fracture into a glass aggregate product. A set of screws will withdraw, dewater and transport the glass material to an adjacent storage pile.

The GFT melter will employ thermal energy recovery. Melter exhaust gas will be combined with a cooler exhaust gas stream that has been recirculated from the hot oil heat exchanger. The combined gas will enter the exchanger, provide heat to the hot oil, and will then flow in series through gas cleaning devices (scrubber, fabric filter, carbon adsorption system, and possibly a catalytic NOx control system). Table 3-2 presents a summary of estimated commercial-scale GFT regulated air pollutant emission rates based on data collected during pilot plant operation, as estimated by Minergy. The only other emissions expected from the melter area will be from building ventilation. The packed tower on the melter exhaust will generate a 15 GPM continuous blowdown stream.

Table 3-2. Summary of Estimated Commercial-Scale GFT Emissions

Pollutant	Emissions	Units
PM	1.09	Estimated potential, tons/yr
SO_2	44.4	Estimated potential, tons/yr
VOC	0.07	Estimated potential, tons/yr
СО	0.18	Estimated potential, tons/yr
NO_X	109.4	Estimated potential, tons/yr
Arsenic	ND	Actual from pilot test, μg/dscm
Barium	ND	Actual from pilot test, μg/dscm
Chromium	ND	Actual from pilot test, μg/dscm
Lead	ND	Actual from pilot test, μg/dscm
Mercury	1.9	μg/dscm
Mercury	0.183	Estimated potential, lb/yr
Selenium	ND	Actual from pilot test, μg/dscm
PCBs	0.0035	lb/year
PCDD/F	0.002	Actual from pilot test, ng/dscm

ND: Non detect.

3.4 Other Discharges

The plant cooling tower, containing non-contact cooling water, will generate a maximum of 37 GPM of continuous blowdown to control solids and other contaminants in the cooling water. The cooling tower will also be a source of PM/PM₁₀ emissions. There may be an on-site oxygen plant, but environmental discharges from oxygen production have not yet been defined. Expected sources of air, wastewater, storm water and solid wastes from the plant are listed in Table 3-3.

Table 3-3. Listing of Expected Environmental Discharges

Category	Plant Area	Description	
	Grounds	Outdoor handling and storage - fugitives	
	Sediment storage building	Building ventilation	
	Dryer building	Sediment dryer exhaust ^a	
Air	Diyer building	Auxiliary hot oil heater	
	Melter	Melter exhaust	
	Wieter	Building ventilation	
	Other	Cooling tower fans	
Storm water	Plantwide	Outdoor handling, storage, and roadways	
	Sediment storage building	Leachate	
Wastewater	Dryer building	Dryer condensate	
w aste water	Melter	Scrubber blowdown	
	Other	Cooling tower blowdown	
Solid Waste	Plantwide	Maintenance waste and plant trash	

^a Recycled, except for a split stream that will be combusted in the melter.

4.0 REGULATORY ANALYSIS

Performed in this study was a multi-media environmental regulatory analysis for a potential commercial-scale GFT installation. Both federal and Wisconsin regulations and selected statutes that contained permitting or licensing requirements were analyzed. Where possible, applicable regulatory and permitting requirements were defined or statements of non-applicability were made with supporting basis. It should be noted that the regulatory analysis was not comprehensive. Rather, the focus was on rules and statutes that contained permitting and/or licensing requirements that may impose significant siting, timing, design, or other constraints on facility approval.

There are two GFT facility siting scenarios, on-site or off-site, that significantly impact permitting and approval requirements, public participation, and the time duration between site selection and facility operation. Each of these scenarios is discussed below.

Under the on-site scenario, the GFT facility would be constructed on the Fox River Remediation project site. In accordance with CERCLA [40 CFR 300.400(e)] **no** federal, State, or local permits, approvals, or licenses (referred to as 'permits' in the remainder of this section) are required for removal or remedial action conducted entirely "on-site," where such action is selected and carried out in compliance with CERCLA Section 121. The CERCLA on-site permit exemption was included in Act to avoid time-consuming and duplicative administrative requirements and therefore speed up remedial action. On-site activities remain subject to all substantive regulatory requirements, and must meet all applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) as defined in the ROD. Section 4.1 provides additional information on the CERCLA permit exemption for on-site remedial actions.

If the proposed GFT facility cannot be located on-site, the CERCLA permit exemption would not be available and the facility would be required to obtain all applicable permits. Permitting requirements applicable to an off-site commercial-scale GFT facility are presented in Sections 4.2 through 4.9.

4.1 On-Site GFT Facility

As described in Section 1.0, DNR has been designated the lead agency for the Fox River site cleanup. Although the site was proposed for addition to the National Priority List (NPL) in 1998, a subsequent agreement between EPA and DNR resulted in the deferment or nullification of final listing. As the lead agency for the Fox River site cleanup, DNR has agreed to closely follow the CERCLA process. Several steps in this process have been substantially completed, including the Draft Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS), Proposed Plan, and associated public involvement steps. A final RI/FS, a responsiveness summary, and a Record of Decision (ROD) are expected to be released within the next 6 months. DNR has indicated that the ROD will likely be issued in two stages. After the initial ROD is released, and updated or final ROD will be issued within approximately 6 months. This process will allow for the development of detailed design and cost information for selected treatment/disposal alternatives prior to final ROD publication.

CERCLA response actions are exempted by law from the requirements to obtain federal, state, or local permits related to activities conducted on-site. However, this permit exemption does not directly waive or remove any substantive provisions of permitting regulations that are applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs). The CERCLA permit exemption is potentially available to the Minergy GFT facility, assuming the technology is selected as part of the remedy and the facility can be located on-site. For the purpose of CERCLA and the permit exemption, on-site means:

"the aerial extent of contamination and all suitable areas in the very close proximity to the contamination necessary for implementation of the response action...On-site remedial action may involve limited areas of non-contaminated land; for instance, an on-site treatment plant may need to be located above the plume or simply outside of the waste area itself."

A site for the proposed Minergy GFT facility has not been chosen. Based on the current status of the Fox River remediation project, insufficient information is available to assess the feasibility of locating the GFT facility on-site. Siting efforts should be coordinated with the overall Fox River remediation project to better define the on-site scenario.

4.2 Investigation and Remediation

Wisconsin Administrative Code NR 700 – 754 contains rules and regulations applicable to the identification, investigation, and remediation of sites subject to regulation under s. 292.11, 292.15, 292.31 or 292.41, Stats. Elements of these rules are applicable to Fox River site cleanup; however, based on communication with DNR staff, the cleanup will follow the Superfund program process. As such, the NR 700 series rules and regulations are not being directly utilized.

4.3 PCB Waste Management

This section presents a summary of federal and state PCB regulations pertaining to facility construction and operation. Federal regulations are found at 40 CFR Part 761, and are discussed in Section 4.3.1. State PCB management statutes and regulations are presented and discussed in Section 4.3.2. Coordinated approval under both sets of rules is discussed in Section 4.3.3, and demonstration test burn issues are discussed in Section 4.3.4. Section 4.3.5 presents information on recent PCB incineration approvals and demonstration tests.

4.3.1 Federal PCB Management Regulations

Details of the federal regulations applicable to the proposed GFT facility are presented in Table 4-1. In general, most of the requirements are found in 40 CFR Part 761 Subpart D – Storage and Disposal. Unlike air permitting, the procedure for obtaining a PCB approval is not a pre-construction process. In fact, the facility must be constructed, undergo a shake-down period, and perform a demonstration test before the application process can be completed.

An approval application must first be prepared and submitted to the EPA Region V

Administrator for both the sediment storage area and the melter. The application must include a

written closure plan and cost estimate, demonstration of financial responsibility for closure, location, detailed description (including site plans, design drawings and engineering reports), a listing of local, state and federal permits and approvals that are required, and other information. The EPA Region V PCB Coordinator has indicated that the process would include submittal of a complete application; development and submittal of a demonstration test plan; performance of the demonstration test; submittal of the results to EPA; public notice and 60-day comment period on the initial approval to operate [potentially including a public hearing]; inclusion of comments into final approval. Major required elements of the application and approval are shown in Table 4-1, and detailed requirements may be found in the Appendix.

The sediment storage building must adhere to minimum design requirements. The rules also specify minimum design, monitoring system, and pollution control system requirements for the melter as shown in Table 4-1. Decontamination requirements are applicable for equipment and personal protective equipment that comes in contact with PCBs. Subpart J of 40 CFR Part 761 contains specific monitoring, record keeping and reporting for the sediment storage and incineration operations, while Subpart K requires PCB waste disposal records and reports, including requirements for manifests.

4.3.2 Wisconsin PCB Management Regulations

Table 4-1 also shows Wisconsin PCB statutes and regulations. Wisconsin Statutes 299.45 and 289.53, and NR 157 all apply to facilities that store, incinerate and/or treat PCB wastes. Based on the analysis conducted in consultation with DNR solid waste personnel, the following Wisconsin PCB rules and would both apply to the Minergy GFT facility:

- Wisconsin Statutes 289.53 applies to a "commercial PCB waste treatment or storage facility." DNR staff have determined that the sediment is PCB waste, and that the GFT facility is a treatment facility. As such, s. 289.53 would apply to the GFT facility;
- NR 157 is the implementing rule based on 299.45 stats., which requires DNR to adopt rules prescribing the methods and providing or designating sites and facilities for the

disposal of PCBs and products containing PCBs. The GFT facility would be used to dispose of PCB waste and, as such, must comply with the requirements of NR 157.

It should be noted that the types of permits and approvals required for the sediment dewatering facility have not yet been defined, because its configuration and location has not yet been determined. Thus, for this analysis it was assumed that the GFT facility would be located and permitted separately from the dewatering facility.

Wisconsin Statutes 289.53, which regulates commercial PCB waste storage and treatment facilities, is applicable and requires that the GFT facility comply with several other Wisconsin solid waste statutes, including obtaining an operating license, developing a site specific feasibility report and a plan of operation, and complying with financial responsibility requirements. These solid waste requirements are more fully discussed in Section 4.5. Based on discussions with DNR staff, the PCB approval and solid waste licensing can be combined into one approval process, covered by a single license issued by DNR.

Wisconsin Statutes 299.45, implemented by NR 157, requires department approval after submission of a written handling and storage plan, and complete plans and specifications for the incineration facility per the Wisconsin air pollution rules and hazardous waste regulations. NR 157 also requires installation of a scrubber to control hydrochloric acid mist, and demonstration that the incinerator will meet minimum temperature, residence time and exhaust gas excess O₂ recommended design requirements.

Table 4-1. Summary of PCB Management Regulatory Requirements

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
Federal Re	quirements			
Subpart A	General	Applicability, PCB Concentration Assumptions For Use, Definitions, and References	Y	No specific requirements apply to the proposed facility.
Subpart B	Manufacturing, Processing, Distribution in Commerce, and use of PCBs and PCB Items	Not Applicable	N	
Subpart C	Marking of PCBs and PCB Items	Not Applicable	N	
Subpart D	Storage and Disposal	See breakdown of Subpart D sections below.	Y	
761.60	Disposal Requirements	(f)(1) Each operator of a chemical waste landfill, incinerator, or alternative to incineration approved under paragraph (e) of this section shall give the following written notices to the state and local governments within whose jurisdiction the disposal facility is located: (f)(1)(i) Notice at least thirty (30) days before a facility is first used for disposal of PCBs required by these regulations; and (f)(1)(ii) At the request of any state or local government, annual notice of the quantities and general description of PCBs disposed of during the year. This annual notice shall be given no more than thirty (30) days after the end of the year covered.	Y	Requires an initial notice of PCB disposal to the state and local government. If requested by the state or local government, requires an annual report of the PCBs disposed.
761.61	PCB Remediation Waste	(b) Performance-based disposal. (b)(2) Any person disposing of non-liquid PCB remediation waste shall do so by one of the following methods: (b)(2)(i) Dispose of it in a high temperature incinerator approved under §761.70(b), an alternate disposal method approved under §761.60(e), a chemical waste landfill approved under §761.75, or in a facility with a coordinated approval issued under §761.77. (b)(2)(ii) Decontaminate it in accordance with §761.79.	Y	In the case of the proposed GFT facility, this is the overall requirement to incinerate the sediment.
761.62	Disposal of PCB Bulk Product Waste	Not Applicable	N	The GFT facility would not be used to dispose of bulk product waste.

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
761.63	PCB Household Waste Storage and Disposal.	Not Applicable	N	PCB household waste is exempt from regulation.
761.64	Disposal of Wastes Generated as a Result of Research and Development Activities Authorized Under §761.30(j) and Chemical Analysis of PCBs.	Not Applicable, unless required to perform pre-test studies on GFT prior to demonstration test.	Uncertain	It was assumed that the GFT facility would not be used to dispose of R&D and PCB chemical analysis wastes.
761.65	Storage for Disposal	"Storage for Disposal" means temporary storage of PCBs that have been to storage for disposal of PCBs at concentrations of 50mg/kg or greater. sediments at the proposed GFT facility, and there are multiple requirements are the proposed GFT facility, and there are multiple requirements. • A one-year time limit for storing received waste, with written not (resulting in automatic extension of storage time by 1 additional). • Design requirements related to roof and walls, floor and cubing drains or expansion joints allowed, and must be located above 1. • Building must be marked as required in 761.40(a)(10) [761.65(c). • Items/equipment that contact PCBs must be decontaminated beft [761.65(c)(4)]. • Container storage must meet 49 CFR 171 to 180 [761.65(c)(6)]. • Must establish and maintain records per 761.180 [761.65(c)(10)]. • Must prepare a storage facility application, and obtain approval PCB waste [761.65(d)(3) – see below].	This section is and that will applied to EPA need year) [761.65(a) including minim 00-yr flood plain (2)(3)]. For being removed.	pplicable to on-site storage of y: ded for a time extension)]; um containment, no floor a [761.65(b)]. ed from storage building
761.65 (d)(3)	Storage Application Requirements	 EPA requires that an application be submitted for a new storage for disposapproval is granted by the EPA Administrator for Region 5. Major elements of the EPA Administrator for Region 5. Major elements	ents of the applic ct management r nd waste manage at had/have waste onstration of fina nerator approval	estation include: esponsibility, compliance ement staff qualifications. e management ncial responsibility for s (see 761.70 below) are not

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment	
Citation			(Y/N)		
761.70	Incineration	 The proposed GFT melter meets the 761.3 definition of an "Incinerator" of PCBs. There are multiple requirements that apply to PCB incinerators, including: Design requirements: combustion efficiency >99.9%, measure rate and quantity of PCBs fed, continuously measure and record combustion temperature, install a water scrubber for HCl control, measure O₂ and CO (continuous) and CO₂ (periodic) of the exhaust. Develop (and obtain EPA approval for) a contingency plan for failure of certain monitoring equipment. Conduct a demonstration test. Emissions of no more than 0.001 g PCB/kg PCB fed (i.e., 99.9999% DRE for PCBs). Maintain data and records per 761.180. Notify EPA at least 30 days prior to transferring ownership in property and/or transferring right to operate the incinerator. Submit an application to the EPA Region 5 Administrator, and obtain written approval to operate the 			
761.70 (d) and (d)(1)	Incinerator Application Requirements	incinerator [761.70(d) – see below]. EPA requires that an application be submitted to EPA Region 5 to obtain approval to operate the melter. Based on the application, written approval to operate is granted by the EPA Administrator for Region 5. Major elements of the application include: • Location. • Detailed description, including general site plans, design drawings, and engineering reports. • Sampling and monitoring equipment and facilities available. • Waste volumes expecting to be incinerated. • Local, state and federal permits or approvals. • Schedules and plans for complying with approval requirements of this regulation.			
761.70 (d)(2)	Incinerator Trial Burn Requirements	Following receipt of the application described above, the EPA Regional Administrator will determine whether a trial burn is required and will notify the applicant of his/her decision. If a trial burn is required, the applicant must submit a detailed trial burn plan for approval. The EPA Regional Administrator will approve, require additions/modifications, or disprove the plan and request another plan.			
761.71, 761.72, 761.75	High Efficiency Boilers, Scrap Metal Recovery Ovens and Smelters, and Chemical Waste Landfills	Not Applicable	N		

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
761.77	Coordinated Approval	Specifies requirements for, and conditions under which approvals for storage and incineration will be coordinated with other state and/or federal agencies. Requires that the applicant for a new facility request a coordinated approval through EPA Region 5.	Y	This is the mechanism through which the EPA and DNR jointly approve the facility under federal and state PCB management regulations.
761.79	Decontamination Standards and Procedures	Requires the decontamination of equipment and surfaces that contact liquid and non-liquid PCBs, including use of proper personal protective equipment during decontamination, confirmatory sampling and analysis, and maintenance of records for 3 years. Also requires wastewater be discharged to a treatment works.	Y	
Subpart E	Exemptions	Not Applicable	N	
Subpart F	Transboundary Shipments of PCBs For Disposal	Not Applicable	N	
Subpart G	PCB Spill Cleanup Policy	Not Applicable	N	
Subpart J	General Records and Reports	Requires specific monitoring, recordkeeping and periodic reporting for the sediment storage and incineration operations.	Y	
Subpart K	PCB Waste Disposal Records and Reports	This subpart requires the proposed facility to obtain an EPA Identification number, provide a Notification Of PCB Waste Activity (EPA Form 7710-53), complete manifests, maintain and track manifests, resolve exceptions or prepare exception reports, report to EPA unmanifested shipments, and prepare/maintain a Certificate of Disposal for each manifested shipment that is stored and/or incinerated.	Y	
State Requi	irements			
Wisconsin Statutes 299.45	Manufacture and Purchase of Polychlorinated Biphenyls	With respect to the proposed facility, this rule requires the department to adopt rules prescribing the methods and providing or designating sites and facilities for the disposal of PCBs and products containing PCBs.	Y	This regulation does not contain any prescriptive requirements that apply to the proposed facility.

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
Wisconsin Statutes 289.53	Commercial PCB Waste Storage and Treatment Facilities	This Statute requires the proposed facility to comply with several of the Wisconsin solid waste Statutes: • Develop a site specific feasibility report per s. 289.2329 • Develop a plan of operation per s. 289.30 • Comply with financial responsibility requirements in s. 289.41 • Obtain an operating license per s. 289.31	Y	Note: each of the solid waste requirements are further discussed in more detail in Section 4.5.
DNR Chapter NR 157	Management of PCBs and Products Containing PCBs	 These rules codify the rulemaking requirement of s. 299.45 above. They include: A written handling and storage plan must be reviewed, approved, denied or deemed incomplete by DNR within 65 days of receipt [157.03(1)]. Department approval must be obtained for incineration [157.07(2)]. Complete plans and specifications for the incineration facility must be submitted to DNR in compliance with all applicable provisions of NR 400-499 [Air Pollution Control] and NR 600-699 [Hazardous Waste] [157.07(2)(a)]. Minimum requirements for PCB incineration: a suitable balance of operational requirements (dwell time, temperature, turbulence, and excess O₂), and a scrubber to remove hydrochloric acid mist from the exhaust. The following requirements are recommended: 2 second dwell time at 2,000°F + 3% excess O₂ in stack; or 1-1/2 second dwell time at 2,700°F + 2% excess O₂ in stack [157.07(2)(b). Test methods must be used, as specified in NR 157.20 Testing methods for PCBs and products containing PCBs. 	Y	It was assumed that Minergy would not be a transporter or full service contractor for the PCB waste. There are requirements for both of these types of entities that are not listed in this table.

4.3.3 Coordinated Approval

The federal rules (40 CFR Part 761.77) provide a Coordinated Approval mechanism through which EPA and DNR can jointly approve the proposed storage and incineration facilities. A request for coordinated approval must be submitted to both EPA Region 5 and DNR. The EPA Region and DNR could then each issue an approval that ensures that there are no conflicting requirements while ensuring that provisions of each regulation are addressed.

4.3.4 Demonstration Tests for PCB Contaminated Soils and Sediments

40 CFR Part 761.70 requires that emissions do not exceed 0.001g PCB/kg PCB fed. EPA considers this equivalent to a 99.9999% destruction/removal efficiency (DRE) for PCBs. EPA recognizes that, in completing a trial burn (demonstration test) of soils or sediments containing low levels of PCBs, it is sometimes not possible to demonstrate this level of removal without first spiking the feed material with pure PCB to substantially increase its PCB concentration. Although the 0.001g PCB/kg PCB fed requirement has been waived in the past, the EPA Region V PCB Coordinator has indicated that with coordinated approval, the waiver could not be granted. However, he also indicated that the Region could be flexible on the ways to show this level of DRE. If the concentration of PCBs in the feed material is high enough, it will be possible to demonstrate the 99.9999% DRE without spiking by analyzing for the Arochlor series in the feed material and 10 homologs in exhaust gas samples. Calculations performed by Minergy using the pilot-scale PCB test results indicate that the GFT can readily meet the 0.001g PCB/kg PCB fed emission limit without spiking the feed.

Conversations with EPA personnel and recent documents issued by EPA headquarters for a Maxymillian Technologies mobile PCB soil desorption unit indicate that an <u>Approval to Demonstrate the Disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyls</u> (a 'demonstration approval') is generally issued by EPA for a short time period to perform the demonstration test. Additionally, an 'interim approval' can be granted by EPA to operate the unit under the same operating conditions as during the demonstration test. An interim approval was also issued for Maxymillian Technologies. According to the Region 5 staff, the facility could also obtain an

approval from Region V to melt <50 ppm PCB sediment material after the demonstration test but before obtaining final approval.

In addition to the 40 CFR Part 761 requirements, EPA policy also requires the following testing and limitations be met during a demonstration test:

- Measurement of the stack emissions for chlorinated dibenzodioxins and dibenzofurans;
- Particulate matter emission levels no greater than 180 mg/dscm (0.08 gr/dscf) when corrected to 7% 0₂; and
- Total PCB concentrations in scrubber water, fly ash (if applicable), and bottom ash (if applicable) of no greater than 2 ppm.

EPA Region V follows the draft guidelines referenced above for demonstration tests. Appendix B of that document discusses monitoring, sampling, and analysis procedures. A copy of the EPA guidance document is contained in Appendix B of this report. In addition, in July 2001, EPA issued test burn guidance for hazardous waste combustion facilities that includes guidance on PCB incineration.

4.3.5 Recent Permits and Demonstration Test Plans

The study researched PCB incinerators that were constructed and operated in the last 10 years. The majority these sites were associated with Superfund cleanups where temporary or mobile incinerators were located on-site, and due to the CERCLA permit exemption, did not have to obtain approvals from EPA. In a few cases, existing commercial off-site incinerators were used for some of the waste. A summary of identified sites, including Superfund and other incineration and vitrification sites and sites located in EPA Region V, is presented in table format the Appendix A. A compact disk containing all CERCLA Records of Decision (RODs) current through the 3rd quarter of 2003 is available and can be requested from EPA headquarters.

A set of approvals obtained for the Maxymillian Technologies' mobile PCB soil desorption unit from EPA Headquarters are probably the most recent representative examples of the type of PCB

incineration approvals that would be issued by EPA for the commercial-scale GFT. These were nationwide PCB approvals issued by EPA OPPTS in Washington, D.C. between July 11, 1997 and September 27, 1999. They included two demonstration approvals, a letter granting interim approval, and two full approvals (initial and amended), and were based in part on applications submitted by Maxymillian in December 1995.

PCB laden sediment was incinerated in a rotary incinerator at the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge Superfund site in Southern Illinois in 1996-97. This installation represents the most recent example of on-site PCB soil/sediment incineration at a Superfund site in EPA Region V. A demonstration test plan and test results report were both developed and issued for that installation.

4.4 Air Quality

A compete review of air quality regulations, both federal and State of Wisconsin, was performed to assess regulatory and permitting requirements for the proposed commercial-scale GFT. Where possible, applicability was either positively defined or negative declarations were made with supporting basis. Section 4.4.1 presents a summary of the regulatory applicability review, including a detailed table cataloguing the regulations reviewed and applicability conclusions. Section 4.4.2 contains a more complete discussion on particular regulations, standards, or permitting requirements that constitute real and substantive constraints on the approval and operation of the proposed GFT facility.

4.4.1 Regulatory Review

Potentially applicable federal and Wisconsin (NR 400 Series) rules and regulations were reviewed to: 1) determine applicability or non-applicability to the proposed commercial-scale GFT; 2) present the basis for the applicability conclusions; and 3) for applicable and potentially applicable rules, summarize substantive requirements (e.g., emissions limitations, testing and monitoring requirements, permitting requirements, and public involvement aspects). Table 4-2 presents a complete matrix of rules and regulations reviewed, a brief summary of each regulations contents and requirements, and applicability status conclusions.

 Table 4-2. Summary of Air Quality Regulatory Requirements

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment			
Federal Requirements 40 CER 60 New Source Porfermence Standards (NSPS)							
40 CFR 60 New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)							
Subpart A (§ 1-19)	General Provisions	Contains general requirements for sources subject to specific NSPS standards. Includes definitions, determination of construction, reconstruction, or modification, notifications, recordkeeping, and performance testing requirements. Also includes general control device and reporting requirements.	Y	NSPS general provisions will be applicable to the Minergy GFT as an affected facility under Subparts Dc and UUU (see below).			
Subpart Dc (§ 40c-48c)	Standards of Performance for Small Industrial-Commercial- Institutional Steam Generating Units	Contains SO ₂ and PM standards for steam generating units with a rated capacity between 10 and 100 MMBtu/hr commencing construction, reconstruction, or modification after June 9, 1989.	Y	The proposed dryer auxiliary heater (hot oil heater) meets the definition of "steam generating unit" in §60.41c. As such, the standard will be applicable to the heater. For natural gas only fired unit, only the general reporting and recordkeeping requirements of §60.48c are applicable. No specific emission limits, monitoring and testing requirements, or other substantive requirements are applicable.			
Subpart E (§ 50-54)	Standards of Performance for Incinerators	Contains PM emissions standards for solid waste incinerators with a charge rate > 50 tons/day constructed or modified after August 17, 1971.	N	"Incinerator" is defined as "any furnace used in the process of burning solid waste" "Solid Waste" is defined as refuse, more than 50 % of which is municipal type waste consisting of a mixture of paper, wood, yard wastes, food wastes" The Minergy GFT does not meet the definition of an incinerator for the purpose of this regulation.			

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
Subpart CC (§ 290-296)	Standards of Performance for Glass Manufacturing Plants	Contains PM emissions standards for glass melting furnaces commencing construction or modification after June 15, 1979.	N	From the definitions contained in the regulation, it appears that NSPS Subpart CC would not apply to the Minergy GFT. Although the GFT meets the broad definition of a "Glass melting furnace" in §60.291, it does not fit any of the product codes (SICs) contained in the standards. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.
Subpart OOO (§ 670-676)	Standards of Performance for Nonmetallic Mineral Processing Plants	Contains PM standards applicable to affected facilities at nonmetallic mineral processing plants.	N	Nonmetallic mineral processing is defined in § 60.761 as any combination of equipment that is used to crush or grind any nonmetallic mineral wherever located, including lime plants, power plants, steel mills, asphalt concrete plants, portland cement plants, or any other facility processing nonmetallic minerals except as provided in §60.670 (b) and (c). The proposed GFT facility does not meet this definition.
Subpart UUU (§ 730-737)	Standards of Performance for Calciners and Dryers in Mineral Industries	Contains PM standards for calciners and dryers at mineral processing plants that commence construction, reconstruction, or modification after April 23, 1986.	N	Affected facilities include dryers and calciners at mineral processing plants. "Mineral processing plant" is defined as "any facility that processes or produces any of the following minerals, their concentrates or any mixture of which the majority (>50 percent) is any of the following minerals or a combination of these minerals: alumina, ball clay, bentonite, diatomite, feldspar, fire clay, fuller's earth, gypsum, industrial sand, kaolin, lightweight aggregate, magnesium compounds, perlite, roofing granules, talc, titanium dioxide, and vermiculite." Based the definition of affected facility, it does not appear that this NSPS would be applicable to the GFT facility. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
Subpart CCCC (§ 2000-2265)	Standards of Performance for Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration (CISWI) Units	Contains emissions limits for Cd, CO, dioxins/furans, HCL, Pb, Hg, Opacity, NOx, PM, and SO ₂ for new, nonexempt CISWI units.	N	The proposed GFT does not meet the definition of CISWI in §60.2265 because the unit will be equipped with energy recovery. Heat from the melter will be recovered and used as process heat for the sediment dryer. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.
		for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAF	/	
Subpart A (§ 1-19)	General Provisions	Contains general requirements for sources subject to specific 40 CFR Part 61 NESHAP standards. Includes definitions, determination of construction or modification, notification of startup, reporting, compliance with standards and maintenance requirements, emission tests, and monitoring requirements.	N	Part 61 NESHAP general provisions would not be applicable to the Minergy GFT because the unit would not be subject to any specific standards of 40 CFR 61.
Subpart C (§ 30-34)	National Emission Standard for Beryllium	Contains beryllium standards for multiple source categories, including incinerators, that process beryllium-containing waste.	N	The proposed GFT and sediment feedstock do not meet the applicability criteria for this standard. "Beryllium-containing waste" is defined as "material contaminated with beryllium and/or beryllium compounds used or generated during any process or operation performed by a source subject to this subpart." "Incinerator" is defined as "any furnace used in the process of burning waste for the primary purpose of reducing the volume of the waste by removing combustible matter." Based on the draft RI/FS and Proposed Plan, the Fox River site sediment is not beryllium contaminated. Furthermore, the GFT does not meet the definition of "incinerator" contained in this regulation.
Subpart E (§ 30-34)	National Emission Standard for Mercury	Contains mercury emission standards applicable to sources that process mercury ore, use mercury chlor-alkali cells, and incinerate or dry wastewater treatment plant sludge.	N	The proposed GFT does not meet the rule applicability criteria. The facility would not incinerate or dry wastewater treatment plant sludge as defined in the rule.

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
Subpart N (§ 160-165)	National Emission Standards for Inorganic Arsenic Emissions from Glass Manufacturing Plants	Contains arsenic emission limits and control requirements for glass melting furnaces. Applicable to glass melting furnaces using commercial arsenic as a raw material.	N	The proposed GFT would not use commercial arsenic as a raw material.
40 CFR 63 N		for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAF	/	
Subpart A (§ 1-15)	General Provisions	Contains general requirements for sources subject to specific MACT standards. Includes definitions, construction and reconstruction, , compliance with standards and maintenance requirements, performance testing and monitoring requirements, notifications, recordkeeping and reporting, and control device requirements.	N	40 CFR Part 63 NESHAP general provisions would not be applicable to the Minergy GFT facility because no specific Part 63 NESHAPs are expected to apply (see below).
Subpart B (§ 40-56)	Requirements for Control Technology Determinations for Major Sources in Accordance With Clean Air Act Sections, Sections 112(g) and 112(j)	Requires case-by-case MACT determinations for: 1) Construction or reconstruction of a major source of HAP after the effective date of section 112(g)(2)(B) and the effective date of a title V permit program in the State or local jurisdiction in which the major source would be located; 2) A source within a source category or subcategory under part 63 that is located at a major source that is subject to an approved title V permit program and for which the Administrator has failed to promulgate emission standards by the section 112(j) deadlines.	N	The proposed commercial-scale GFT would not be a major source of HAP.

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
Subpart Q (§ 400-406)	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Industrial Process Cooling Towers	Contains requirements applicable to all new and existing industrial process cooling towers that are operated with chromium-based water treatment chemicals on or after September 8, 1994, and are either major sources or are integral parts of facilities that are major sources as defined in §63.401.	N	The proposed commercial-scale GFT would not be a major source of HAP.
Subpart DD (§ 680-698)	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Off-Site Waste and Recovery Operations	Contains equipment design and HAP standards for sources meeting both of the following criteria: 1) The plant site is a major source of hazardous air pollutant (HAP) emissions as defined in 40 CFR 63.2. 2) At the plant site is located one or more of operations that receives off-site materials as specified in paragraph 680(b) and the operations is one of the following waste management operations or recovery operations as specified in paragraphs 680(a)(2)(i) through (a)(2)(vi).	N	The proposed commercial-scale GFT would not be a major source of HAP.
Subpart RR (§ 960-966)	National Emission Standards for Individual Drain Systems	Contains requirements for the control of air emissions from individual drain systems for which another subpart of 40 CFR parts 60, 61, or 63 references the use of this subpart for such air emission control.	N	The GFT would not be subject to any Part 60, 61, or 63 standards that reference 40 CFR 63 Subpart RR.
Subpart EEE (§ 1200-1213)	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from Hazardous Waste Combustors	Contains emission standards applicable to all hazardous waste combustors: hazardous waste incinerators, hazardous waste burning cement kilns, and hazardous waste burning lightweight aggregate kilns, except as provided in Table 1 of section 63.1200. Hazardous waste combustors are also subject to applicable requirements under 40 CFR parts 260-270 (RCRA).	N	Based on communications with DNR, The Fox River site sediment is not considered hazardous waste for the purpose of RCRA (as defined in 40 CFR 261.3 (see Section 4.6).

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
Subpart DDDDD	Industrial Boiler and Process Heater MACT (Pending)	This standard has not been proposed. The standard is expected to apply to industrial boilers, institutional/commercial boilers, and process heaters located at major sources of HAP.	N	The proposed commercial-scale GFT would not be a major source of HAP.
Title V Major	r Source Operating Permits			
40 CFR 70	State Operating Permit Programs	Specifies minimum requirements for State Title V operating permit programs. The Wisconsin Part 70 program received final interim approval from EPA in 1995 (see 60 FR 12128, 3/6/95). The State Title V operating permit regulations are contained in NR 407.	Y	See discussion under Wisconsin Requirements - NR 407.
Compliance.	Assurance Monitoring (CAN	<i>1</i>)		
40 CFR 64		Requires development and implementation of CAM plans for controlled sources with uncontrolled PTE > 100 tpy or 10/25 for HAP. Exclusion applies where basis for limit is a standard proposed after 11/15/90 pursuant to section 111 or 112 of the CAA (i.e., NSPS or NESHAP).	Uncertain	Only NO_X emissions are expected to exceed the uncontrolled CAM applicability thresholds of 100 and 10/25 tpy. Currently, no NO_X controls are planned for the GFT. If NO_X controls are installed on the GFT exhaust to meet a non-excluded regulatory requirement (e.g., NAAQS), CAM would be applicable to the unit.
Risk Manage	ement Plans (RMP)			
40 CFR 68	Chemical Accident Prevention Provisions	Establishes list of regulated toxic and flammable substances and threshold storage quantities pursuant to 112(r) of the CAA. Requires development of Risk Management Plan for listed chemicals stored above threshold quantities.	N	It is not expected that regulated chemicals would be stored in quantities exceeding 112(r) thresholds. Non-applicability should be confirmed based on the detailed facility design.
Wisconsin R	Requirements (NR400 – Air	r Pollution Control)		
NR 400	Air Pollution Control Definitions	Contains NR 400 series regulation definitions	Y	
NR 401	Nonattainment Areas	Establishes procedures and criteria to identify a nonattainment area and to reclassify a nonattainment area as an attainment area.	N	Generally applicable but not specifically applicable to the GFT project.

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 403	Local Air Pollution Control Program	Establishes criteria for departmental approval of local air pollution control programs.	N	Generally applicable but not specifically applicable to the GFT project.
NR 404	Ambient Air Quality	Establishes geographic air regions, air standards and ambient air increments (for attainment areas statewide).	Y	The proposed GFT would most likely be located in Sub-region I of the Lake Michigan Intrastate Air Quality Control Region. More stringent emission limitations than those in the Administrative Code may or may not be needed to meet ambient air quality standards in ch. NR 404, Wis. Adm. Code. This would be determined during the permit review process.
NR 405	Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)	Provisions apply to new major stationary sources and all major modifications to major sources located in areas designated as attainment or unclassified.	N	The proposed GFT would not constitute a "major stationary source" for the purpose of PSD. The GFT process is not a listed source category under NR405.02 (a)(1) and potential emissions of PSD regulated air pollutants are each expected to be well below the 250 ton per year major source threshold applicable for attainment and unclassifiable areas. See Table 3-2 for estimated potential emissions.
NR 406	Construction Permits	Requires that a source obtain a construction permit before commencing construction, reconstruction, replacement, relocation or modification of a stationary source unless the source is exempt. Also establishes permit review requirements and permit duration for construction permits.	Y	The proposed commercial-scale GFT facility does not meet any of the specific source category exemptions in NR 406.04(1) nor the general source category exemption in NR 406.04(2). As such, a minor source (i.e., non-PSD) construction permit would be required. The department shall make a determination on a permit application within 145 days of receiving a complete application. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 407	Operation Permits	Contains operation permit requirements for specific sources and size categories (part 70 and non-part 70), exemption provisions, and permit application submittal schedules. Also sets forth procedures for revising, suspending, and revoking operation permits.	Y	The proposed commercial-scale GFT facility does not meet any of the source exemptions in NR 407.03. As such, an operation permit and permit application would be required in accordance with NR 407.04. The GFT would be subject to Part 70 source operation permit requirements as defined in NR 407.02(6) if potential emissions exceed major source thresholds (i.e., 100 tpy for criteria pollutants and 10/25 tpy for HAP). Based on current estimates, potential NO _X emissions from the commercial-scale GFT exceed 100 tpy. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.
NR 408	Construction Permits for Direct Major Sources in Nonattainment Areas	Establishes requirements for reviewing and issuing construction permits for new major sources and major modifications to major sources located in ozone transport regions or nonattainment areas.	N	Based on the attainment designations in 40 CFR 81 for Wisconsin, the potential GFT location counties are attainment, unclassifiable, or better than national standards for all criteria pollutants. For the purpose of this analysis, potential County locations are: Winnebago, Outagamie, and Brown County.
NR 409	Acid Rain Portion of Operation Permits	Implements the acid rain program under Title IV of the CAA (40 CFR Part 72). Generally applies to utility generating units.	N	The proposed GFT is not an affected unit under the acid rain program.
NR 410	Air Permit, Emission and Inspection Fees	Establishes requirements and procedures for the payment of application fees and emission fees for sources required to obtain construction or operation permits.	Y	Permit application fees and annual emission fees would apply to the GFT. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.
NR 411	Construction and Operation Permits for Indirect Sources	Establishes requirements for construction and operation permits for indirect sources for the control of CO emissions (i.e., emissions from mobile sources).	N	The proposed GFT is a direct source.

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 415	Control of Particulate Emissions	Establishes PM emission source categories and emission limitations.	Y	PM emission limits for processes, fuel burning equipment, incinerators, and fugitive dust are potentially applicable to the proposed GFT source. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.
NR 417	Control of Sulfur Emissions	Establishes SO ₂ and sulfur compound emission source categories and emission limitations.	Y	Only the general limitation in NR 417.03 would apply to the GFT source. The general limitation states that no person may emit sulfur or sulfur compounds which substantially contribute to the exceeding of and air standard or cause air pollution.
NR 418	Sulfur Emission Control in Specific Geographic Areas	Establishes SO ₂ and sulfur compound emission source categories and emission limitations for specific geographic areas to protect air quality.	N	Pursuant to NR 418.05, RACT sulfur limitations apply to specific sources categories within the corporate boundaries of Green Bay and DePere. It is not expected the GFT would be located within these boundaries, and the GFT does not fit any of the listed source categories subject to RACT.
NR 419	Control of Organic Compound Emissions	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations.	Y	The following subsections of NR 419 would apply or potentially apply to the proposed GFT source: 1) General limitations - NR 419.03 2) Disposal of VOC wastes - NR 419.04 3) Remediation of contaminated soil or water - NR 419.07 Note: NR 419.07 does not seem to apply to dedicated environmental media remediation units/sources, but no direct exclusion was identified in the rule.
NR 420	Control of Organic Compound Emissions from Petroleum and Gasoline Sources	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations for petroleum and gasoline sources.	Uncertain	Potentially applicable if site would include gasoline storage racks and dispensing operations

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 421	Control of Organic Compound Emissions from Chemical, Coatings, and Rubber Products Manufacturing	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations for chemical, coatings, and rubber products manufacturing sources.	N	
NR 422	Control of Organic Compound Emissions from Surface Coating, Printing, and Asphalt Surfacing Operations	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations for surface coating, printing, and asphalt surfacing operations.	N	
NR 423	Control of Organic Compound Emissions from Solvent Cleaning Operations	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations for solvent cleaning operations.	N	
NR 424	Control of Organic Compound Emissions from Process Lines	Establishes organic compound emission source categories and emission limitations for process lines.	Uncertain	The GFT facility meets the definition of a "process line." However, current PTE emission estimates indicate that the GFT would be exempt per NR 424.03(4): Process lines from which VOC emissions are never greater than 15 lbs/day.
NR 425	Compliance Schedules, Delays, Exceptions, and Internal Offsets for Organic Compound Emission Sources in Chs. NR 419 to 424	Establishes time schedules for sources governed by VOC rules to meet emission limits and an internal offset system.	Y	For new sources, limitations apply upon startup.
NR 426	Control of Carbon Monoxide Emissions	Establishes CO emission limitations.	Y	General limitation would be applicable. CO emissions shall not substantially contribute to exceeding an air standard or cause air pollution.
NR 427	Control of Lead Emissions	Establishes lead emission limitations.	Y	General limitation under NR 427.025 and potentially specific permit condition(s) pursuant to NR 427.03 would be applicable.
NR 428	Control of Nitrogen Compound Emissions	Establishes nitrogen compound emission source categories and emission limitations	Y	General limitation under NR 428.03 would be applicable. Specific source limitations applicable only in listed counties outside of the GFT site envelope (i.e., RACT).

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 429	Malodorous Emissions and Open Burning	Establishes emission limitations, odor tests, and abatement or control requirements for malodorous air contaminants and conditions under which open burning is permitted.	Y	General standards for objectionable odors and open burning would be applicable.
NR 431	Control of Visible Emissions	Establishes visible emission source categories and limitations	Y	General 20% opacity standard would be applicable to the GFT and associated process units/emission points
NR 436	Emission Prohibition, Exceptions, Delayed Compliance Orders and Variances	Specifies that emissions in excess of limitations set forth in NR 400 – 499 are prohibited and establishes conditions under which the Department may grant exceptions, variances, and delayed compliance orders.	Y	
NR 438	Air Contaminant Emission Inventory Reporting Requirements	Establishes requirements for submission of emission inventory reports	Y	Expected emissions from a commercial-scale GFT exceed the thresholds in Table 1. Therefore, an annual emission inventory report would be required.
NR 439	Reporting, Recordkeeping, Testing, Inspection, and Determination of Compliance Requirements.	Establishes general reporting, recordkeeping, testing, inspection, and determination of compliance requirements for sources.	Y	
NR 440	Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources	Incorporates federal NSPS requirements to enable Department implementation and enforcement.	Y	See Federal Requirements, NSPS. Applicable standards: NR 440.207 (Subpart Dc) NR 440.73 (Subpart UUU)
NR 445	Control of Hazardous Pollutants	Establishes emission limitations and control requirements for hazardous pollutants. Requirements do not apply to specific pollutants regulated under NR 446 – 449 or to sources subject to NESHAP under CAA Section 112 (for the specific pollutants regulated).	Y	The emission limits for new or modified sources in NR 445.04 would be applicable to the GFT. Tables 1 – 5 specify de minimis emission rates for hazardous compounds. Property boundary ambient air concentrations based on TLV and applicable exemptions are contained in NR 445.04. See detailed discussion in Section 4.4.2.

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 446	Control of Mercury Emissions	Establishes emission limitations, stack sampling procedures and emission monitoring requirements for mercury emissions	Y	The general limitation under NR 446.03(1) would be applicable to the GFT (ambient concentration $< 1~\mu g/m^3$, 30-day avg.) The GFT does not meet the definition of sludge incineration or sludge drying plant. "Sludge" is defined as sludge produced by a treatment plant that processes municipal or industrial wastewater.
NR 447	Control of Asbestos Emissions	Establishes emission limitations for asbestos air contaminant sources, procedures to be followed when working with asbestos, and reporting and recordkeeping requirements.	N	It was assumed that no asbestos or asbestos containing materials would be used in the GFT facility.
NR 448	Control of Beryllium Emissions	Establishes emission limitations and stack sampling and testing procedures for beryllium emissions	N	It was concluded that the Fox River site sediments are not defined as "beryllium containing waste."
NR 449	Control of Vinyl Chloride Emissions	Establishes emission limitations and stack sampling and testing procedures for vinyl chloride emissions and reporting and recordkeeping. Applicable only to plants that produce ethylene dichloride, vinyl chloride or other polymers containing vinyl chloride.	N	
NR 460	Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories – General Provisions	Establishes standard enabling the Department to implement and enforce CAA section 112 standard general provisions.	N	No specific standards under 40 CFR Parts 61 or 63 are expected to apply to the GFT facility. See NESHAP regulations under "Federal Requirements."
NR 463	Chromium Emissions from Hard and Decorative Chromium Electroplating and Chromium Anodizing Tanks	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements	N	
NR 464	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants from the Pulp and Paper Industry	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements	N	

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
NR 465	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Wood Furniture Manufacturing Operations	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements	N	
NR 466	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for the Printing and Publishing Industry	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements	N	
NR 468	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Miscellaneous Processes	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements for: perchloroethylene dry cleaning, petroleum solvent dry cleaning, sterilization facilities and industrial process cooling towers	N	
NR 469	National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Halogenated Solvent Cleaning Operations	State rule implementing NESHAP requirements	N	It was assumed that none of the covered operations would occur at the GFT facility.
NR 484	Incorporation by Reference	Incorporates by reference certain federal testing, monitoring and other technical standards	Y	Generally applicable to all sources subject to NR 400 – 499.
NR 485	Control of Emissions from Motor Vehicles, Internal Combustion Engines and Mobile Sources; Tampering Prohibition	Establishes emission limitations for motor vehicles, internal combustion engines, and mobile air contaminant sources and prohibits tampering with motor vehicle air pollution control equipment	Y	Motor vehicle standards indirectly applicable. IC engine standard for PM (0.5 lb/MMBtu) potentially applicable to emergency power generation equipment.
NR 486	Employee Commute Options Program	Applicable only in severe ozone nonattainment area.	N	
NR 487	Clean Fuel Fleet Program	Establishes clean fuel feet program pursuant to 40 CFR Part 88. Applicable to centrally fueled vehicle fleets in counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington, and Waukesha.	N	
NR 488	Refrigerant Recovery from Salvaged or Dismantled Refrigeration Equipment	Establishes requirements for the recovery of ozone depleting refrigerants from salvaged or dismantled equipment	N	

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Content/Requirement(s)	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
NR 489	Conformity of General Federal Actions to State Implementation Plans	Sets forth policy, criteria, and procedures for demonstrating and assuring conformity of general federal actions to the applicable state implementation plan. Applicable to: 1) Federal actions related to transportation plans, programs, and projects developed, funded, or approved under title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Act (49 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.) and 2) Federal actions where direct and indirect emissions in a nonattainment or maintenance area would equal or exceed any of the rates in 40 CFR 51.853 (b)(1) or (2).	N	
NR 490	Procedures for Uncontested Case Public Hearings	Establishes the content for a public hearing request and procedures for hearing requests and comment submittal/processing.	Y	Generally applicable.
NR 492	Department Review Times	Establishes a time schedule for department actions on permits or approvals not otherwise specified by law. This rule only includes time schedules for alternate fuel variances (10 days), temporary excess emissions plans (65 days), and use of emergency or reserve equipment (65 days).	Y	Generally applicable.
NR 493	Air Pollution Episode Levels and Episode Emission Control Action Programs	Establishes emergency episode level criteria and programs and procedures for abatement.	Y	Generally applicable.
NR 494	Enforcement and Penalties for Violation of Air Pollution Control Provisions	Provides enforcement procedures and penalties for violations of any provisions in NR 400 – 499 or a permit or plan approval.	Y	Generally applicable.
NR 499	Training and Certification Requirements for Solid Waste Treatment Facility Operators	Establishes by rule a program for the training and certification of solid waste treatment facility operators.	Y	Training and certification requirements for GFT facility operators would be applicable.

4.4.2 Specific Requirements

Additional details on specific rules and regulations identified as applicable to the proposed commercial-scale GFT with specific, substantive requirements are provided below. The supporting basis for negative applicability conclusions for specific regulations is also provided.

4.4.2.1 New Source Performance Standards (NSPS)

NSPS Subpart Dc: Standards of Performance for Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units

NSPS Subpart Dc is incorporated in NR 440.207. This standard applies to steam generating units with rated heat input capacities less than or equal to 100 MMBtu/hr but greater than or equal to 10 MMBtu/hr. "Steam generating unit" is defined as "a device that combusts any fuel and produces steam or heats water or any other heat transfer medium."

The proposed natural gas-fired auxiliary heater for the GFT sediment dryer thermal oil system meets the definition of steam generating unit under the NSPS, and according to the energy balance for the 250 glass ton plant, the nominal capacity of the unit would be between 10 and 100 MMBtu/hr. The substantive requirements of the NSPS (e.g., PM and SO₂ emission limits and associated testing and monitoring requirements) apply only to affected facilities that combust coal, oil, or wood or combinations of such fuels with other fuels. As a natural gas only-fired affected facility, only the notification of construction and start-up requirements of 40 CFR 60.48c (a) and fuel combustion recordkeeping requirements of 40 CFR 60.48c (g) would be applicable to the auxiliary heater.

NSPS Subpart CC: Standards of Performance for Glass Manufacturing Plants

NSPS Subpart CC is incorporated in NR 440.46. This standard applies to glass melting furnaces with capacities of 5 tons of glass per day or greater commencing construction or modification after June 15, 1979. "Glass melting furnace" is defined as "a unit comprising a refractory vessel in which raw materials are charged, melted at high temperature, refined, and conditioned to

produce molten glass. The unit includes foundations, superstructure and retaining walls, raw material charger systems, heat exchangers, melter cooling system, exhaust system, refractory brick work, fuel supply and electrical boosting equipment, integral control systems and instrumentation, and appendages for conditioning and distributing molten glass to forming apparatuses. The forming apparatuses, including the float bath used in flat glass manufacturing and flow channels in wool fiberglass and textile fiberglass manufacturing, are not considered part of the glass melting furnace."

Although the GFT potentially meets the definition of a glass melting furnace, the particulate matter standards are applicable only to three glass manufacturing industry segments: 1) Container glass, 2) Pressed and blown glass, and 3) Wool fiberglass. These industry segments correspond to Standard Industrial Classification Codes (SIC) 3221, 3229, and 3296, respectively. Best current information indicates that the GFT facility will fall under SIC 3295 (Stone, Clay, Glass, and Concrete Products – Abrasive, Asbestos, and Miscellaneous – Minerals and Earths, Ground or Otherwise Treated).

It seems clear that the GFT process was not considered in the development of NSPS Subpart CC and as such there is a solid case that this Subpart would not be applicable. However, the originally proposed rule and preamble were not reviewed. These documents could be obtained and reviewed to provide further supporting basis for the applicability conclusion if necessary.

NSPS Subpart UUU: Standards of Performance for Calciners and Dryers in Mineral Industries

NSPS Subpart UUU is incorporated in NR 440.73. This standard applies to calciners and dryers at mineral processing plants that commenced construction, modification, or reconstruction after April 23, 1986. "Mineral processing plant" is defined as "any facility that processes or produces any of the following minerals, their concentrates or any mixture of which the majority (>50 percent) is any of the following minerals or a combination of these minerals: alumina, ball clay, bentonite, diatomite, feldspar, fire clay, fuller's earth, gypsum, industrial sand, kaolin, lightweight aggregate, magnesium compounds, perlite, roofing granules, talc, titanium dioxide, and vermiculite." A "Calciner" is defined as "the equipment used to remove combined

(chemically bound) water and/or gases from mineral material through direct or indirect heating..." and a "Dryer" is defined as "the equipment used to remove uncombined water from mineral material through direct or indirect heating."

Based on the definition of affected facility under Subpart UUU and preliminary information on the GFT product profile, it was concluded that the standard would not be applicable the proposed GFT facility. None of the listed products in the definition of mineral processing plant are proposed for the GFT facility. However, this finding is preliminary and may not be conclusive.

If deemed applicable, the requirements under NSPS Subpart UUU include:

- 1. PM: ≤ 0.092 g/dscm (0.040 gr/dscf) for calciners and dryers installed in series
- 2. Opacity: ≤ 10%, unless emissions are discharged from an affected facility using a wet scrubber (sediment dryer and melter will be wet scrubber controlled)
- 3. Initial performance test
- 4. Scrubber parameter monitoring: Continuous monitoring and recording of gas stream pressure loss and scrubbing liquid flow rate

NSPS Subpart CCCC: Standards of Performance for Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration (CISWI) Units

NSPS Subpart CCCC is a relatively new standard that was promulgated pursuant to Section 129 of the CAA (Solid Waste Combustion). The standard applies to new, nonexempt CISWI units and contains emissions limits for Cd, CO, dioxins/furans, HCL, Pb, Hg, Opacity, NO_X, PM, and SO₂.

The proposed GFT does not meet the definition of CISWI in §60.2265 because the unit design incorporates energy recovery. "Commercial and industrial solid waste incineration (CISWI) unit" is defined as: "any combustion device that combusts commercial and industrial waste, as defined in this subpart," and "Commercial and industrial waste" is defined as: "solid waste combusted in an enclosed device using controlled flame combustion without energy recovery that is a distinct operating unit of any commercial or industrial facility (including field-erected,

modular, and custom built incineration units operating with starved or excess air), or solid waste combusted in an air curtain incinerator without energy recovery that is a distinct operating unit of any commercial or industrial facility. "Energy recovery" is defined as "the process of recovering thermal energy from combustion for useful purposes such as steam generation or process heating."

The proposed GFT facility design incorporates energy recovery for process heat. Heat from the GFT melter will be recovered and used as process heat for the sediment dryer. As such, based on the definitions and the applicability criteria contained in Subpart CCCC, the standard would not be applicable to the proposed facility.

4.4.2.2 National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP)

NESHAP or MACT standards promulgated pursuant to CAA Section 112 are codified at 40 CFR Parts 61 and 63. In general, these standards apply to new or reconstructed affected facilities at major sources of HAP. Part 61 pollutant specific standards and certain area source standards under part 63 also apply to non-major sources. A major source of HAP is defined as: "any stationary source or group of stationary sources located within a contiguous area and under common control that emits or has the potential to emit considering controls, in the aggregate, 10 tons per year or more of any hazardous air pollutant or 25 tons per year or more of any combination of hazardous air pollutants..."

The proposed commercial-scale GFT facility PTE will be well below the major source threshold for HAPs (see Section 3.0). As such, the majority of NESHAPs would not apply to the proposed facility as a minor source of HAP. Table 4-2 presents a review of all potentially applicable NESHAPs, including area source standards. As documented, no NESHAPs are expected to apply to the proposed GFT facility.

4.4.2.3 Construction and Operation Permits

NR 405 - Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD)

The Wisconsin SIP approved PSD regulations are codified in NR 405. The NR 405 regulations are substantially consistent with the federal PSD requirements found at 40 CFR 51.166. Under the PSD program, major new sources of regulated air pollutants and major modifications at existing major sources located in areas designated as attainment or unclassified are subject to pre-construction permitting requirements, including control technology review [application of Best Available Control Technology (BACT)], air quality impact analysis, additional analyses, and public participation.

The proposed commercial-scale GFT will be located in an area designated as attainment, unclassifiable, or better than national standards for all criteria pollutants. As a non-listed source category, the PSD major source threshold for the GFT facility is 250 tons per year. In accordance with NR 405.07(4)(a), fugitive emissions must only be accounted in determining major stationary source or modification status for listed source categories and source categories regulated under sections 111 or 112 of the CAA (NSPS or NESHAP standards, respectively) that were in effect on or prior to August 7, 1980. The proposed GFT facility is not a listed source category and based on the analyses and conclusions herein, the facility would not be regulated by any NSPS or NESHAP standards predating August 7, 1980. Accordingly, potential to emit for the purpose of major source status will be determined based on point source emissions only.

Based on current information provided by Minergy, the uncontrolled PTE of the commercial-scale GFT facility would be below the applicable PSD major source threshold of 250 tons per year. NO_X emissions are limiting, with expected potential emissions of approximately 110 tons per year (not including the auxiliary dryer thermal oil heater). As such, the proposed commercial-scale GFT facility would not constitute a new major source for the purpose of PSD, and PSD pre-construction permitting requirements would not be applicable to the source.

NR 406 - Construction Permits

NR 406 requires that no person commence construction, reconstruction, replacement, relocation, or modification of a stationary source without obtaining a construction permit unless the source or activity is specifically exempt. The proposed GFT facility does not meet the direct source construction permit exemption criteria contained in NR 406.04, and a construction permit would be required prior to commencing construction on the facility.

In accordance with NR 406.03, an application for a construction permit must be submitted on forms available from the department. For non-major source construction [i.e., sources not meeting the major source definition in NR 405.02(22)] such as the proposed GFT facility, the department shall make a determination under s. 285.61(8), Stats. (Construction Permit Application and Review) within 145 business days of receipt of a complete application for construction permit. The construction approval, once granted, is valid for a period of 18 months, and may only be extended for one additional 18-month period upon written request. Per s. 285.60, Stats., a construction permit may authorize the initial operation of a source for a period specified in the permit to allow testing and monitoring, after which an operation permit is required (see below).

According to s. 285.61, Stats., the department follows the procedures below for minor source construction permit application review, analysis, preliminary determination, and public notice:

- 1. Review of plans, specifications, and other permit application information: within 20 days of receipt of application.
- 2. Analysis regarding affect of construction on ambient air quality and preliminary determination on the approvability of proposed construction: within 30 days.
- 3. Distribution and availability of analysis, preliminary determination, and materials. All materials are made available for public inspection.
- 4. Public notice: Notice of proposed construction, the department's analysis and preliminary determination distributed to appropriate federal, local, state agencies, regional and county planning agencies, public libraries in the area, and any person requesting a notice.

- 5. Public announcement: Announcement of proposed construction, administrative procedures, and comment procedures circulated to local and regional governments, local and regional new media, and persons/groups demonstrating interest.
- 6. Newspaper notice: Class 1 notice announcing the opportunity for written public comment and to request a public hearing.
- 7. Public comment period: 30-day period beginning when department gives initial notice.
- 8. Public hearing: Department may hold a public hearing if requested by a person, affected state, or U.S. EPA within 30 days after the department gives notice. The department shall hold the public hearing within 60 days after the deadline for requesting a hearing if it deems that there is significant public interest.
- 9. Department determination and permit issuance: The department shall make a determination within 145 business days of receipt of a complete application for construction permit.

General criteria for permit approval applicable to both construction and operation permits are identified under s. 285.63 Stats., and include:

- 1. The source will meet all applicable emission limitations and other requirements promulgated under NR Chapter 400 and any applicable NSPS and NESHAP.
- 2. The source will not violate or exacerbate violation of an air quality standard or increment.
- 3. The source will not preclude construction or operation of another source if the department received such plans and specifications prior to its analysis of the subject source.

NR 407 - Operation Permits

NR 407 codifies the operation permit requirements of s. 285.62, Stats. An operation permit would be required for the proposed GFT facility. The procedures for review of plans and specifications, public notice, comment period, and public hearing are substantially consistent with those applicable to construction permits. Per s. 285.62(11), Stats. and NR 407.04(1), the

operation permit application shall be submitted concurrent with the application for construction permit.

Based on the potential to emit of the commercial-scale GFT estimated by Minergy, and the regulatory applicability conclusions presented herein, the proposed facility qualifies as a major source for the purpose 40 CFR Part 70 (Title V operating permit program). NO_X emissions are limiting, with uncontrolled potential emissions estimated above the 100 ton per year Part 70 major source threshold. Fugitive emissions, which have not yet been quantified, must be accounted for in determining potential to emit only to the extent that the pollutant is regulated under an applicable NSPS or NESHAP standard. Emission controls may be considered part of the design of the source for determining potential to emit if they are made enforceable.

Minergy could elect to install a NO_X control system on the GFT limiting potential emissions to below 100 tons per year. To avoid Title V applicability, such a limitation would have to be made enforceable by a synthetic minor operating permit containing specific limitations, control equipment, and monitoring and recordkeeping requirements.

Table 4-3 presents a summary of operation permit application requirements and procedures; permit processing steps, applicable notifications, and approval/issuance timeframes for Part 70 and minor/synthetic minor operation permits.

Table 4-3. Summary of Operation Permit Procedures

Application / Permit	Part 70 Source	Minor or Synthetic Minor
Processing Requirement		Source
Application Filing Date	With application for construction permit	Same
Application Materials	 Forms, signed by responsible official Identifying information Description of process/products Emission related information Air pollution control requirements Other specific information required for applicability determination or enforcement Proposed exempted activities Alternate operating scenario information Compliance plan Compliance certification Certification of truth, accuracy, and completeness Identification of confidential information 	Same for new sources requiring a construction permit
Completeness Determination	Deemed complete within 20 days of submittal unless department determines in writing that application is incomplete.	Same
Criteria for Permit Approval (applies to construction and operation permit)	 4. Source will meet requirements 5. Source will not violate or exacerbate violation of an air quality standard or increment 6. Source will not preclude construction or operation of another source if the department received plans prior to its analysis 	Same
Action on Applications	Department conducts review, notification and publication, public comment and public hearing processes under s. 285.62(3) to (5) Stats. for the operation permit simultaneously with the similar processes under s. 285.61(3) to (7) Stats. for the construction permit. 45-day EPA Review and opportunity to	Same Not applicable
	comment / object to department permit Affected state review (states within 50 miles of source and any contiguous state whose air quality may be affected)	Not applicable
	Issue or deny the operation permit within 180 days after the applicant submits the results of all equipment testing and emission monitoring required under the construction permit.	Same

4.4.2.4 Other NR 400 Series Requirements

NR 415 - Control of Particulate Emissions

NR 415 contains regulations for the control of particulate matter from general and specific source categories, including the following that would be applicable to the GFT facility:

- General limitations;
- Fugitive dust emissions;
- Particulate matter emission limits for processes;
- Particulate matter emission limits for fuel burning installations; and
- Particulate matter emission limits for incinerators.

The general limitations of NR 415.03 require that no person cause, allow or permit particulate matter to be emitted into the ambient air which substantially contributes to exceeding an air standard or creates air pollution. Based on the potential PM emissions from the commercial-scale GFT facility estimated by Minergy and the proposed fugitive emissions control measures, compliance with this general limitations should be readily demonstrable.

Fugitive Emissions –

NR 415.04 requires that no person cause, allow or permit any materials to be handled, transported or stored without taking precautions to prevent particulate matter from becoming airborne. And, not person shall allow a structure, parking lot, or road to be constructed or used without taking such precautions. Precautions to be used include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Application of asphalt, water, suitable chemicals or plastic covering on dirt roads and stockpiles;
- 2. Installation and use of hoods, fans, and air cleaning devices to enclose and vent dusty areas;

- Covering or securing of materials likely to become airborne while being moved on roads;
- 4. Paving or maintenance of roadways.

Additional fugitive dust control requirements apply to sources located in specific geographic areas identified in NR 415.035. Although the proposed commercial-scale GFT facility would not be located in any identified "fugitive dust control area," Minergy could propose RACT level fugitive emissions control voluntarily, potentially streamlining air permitting. For reference, the fugitive dust control RACT guidelines contained in NR 415.04(2) include the following:

- 1. Storage piles with silt content of 5% 20%: Treated with water, surfactants, stabilizers or chemicals; draped; or enclosed on a minimum of 3 sides. Access areas watered, cleaned or treated with stabilizers as needed to prevent fugitive dust from vehicle traffic;
- 2. Storage piles of material with silt content of 20% or greater: Completely enclosed or draped except any part being worked, loaded or unloaded. Access areas watered, cleaned or treated with stabilizers as needed to prevent fugitive dust from vehicle traffic;
- 3. Materials handling operations and processes:
 - a. Control materials handling operations to less than 20% opacity when wind speeds are less than 25 mph except for three minutes in any hour when opacity may equal 50%;
 - b. Fugitive sources and with control devices: controlled discharge PM \leq 0.20 lb/1000 lb exhaust gas;
- 4. Roadways with 10 or more motor vehicles per hour:
 - a. Paved with asphalt, concrete or other material approved by the department or use other methods of dust control the department approves as representing RACT;
 - b. For paved roads, keep free of material likely to become airborne through a program of periodic cleaning.

Particulate Matter Emission Limits for Processes –

In accordance with NR 415.05, sources involving a process on which construction commenced

after April 1, 1972 shall not emit particulate matter in access of that calculated using the following equations:

 $E = 3.59 \ P^{0.62}$ for process weight rates up to 60,000 pounds per hour $E = 17.31 \ P^{0.16}$ for process weight rates of 60,000 pounds per hour or more (E is the allowable emission rate in pounds per hour and P is the process weight rate in tons per hour)

These limitations, although applicable, do not represent an actual constraint on the GFT facility equipment design or operation. Estimated commercial-scale potential emissions are well below the allowable emission rates derived from the applicable equations.

Particulate Matter Emissions from Fuel Burning Equipment –

NR 415.06 contains particulate matter emission limits for fuel burning greater than 1 MMBtu/hr heat input capacity. The limit of 0.15 lb PM/MMBtu contained in NR 415.06(2)(a) would be applicable to the sediment dryer auxiliary heater.

Particulate Matter Emissions from Incinerators –

"Incinerator" is defined in NR 400.02(83) as "a combustion apparatus designed for high temperature operation in which solid, semisolid, liquid, or gaseous combustible wastes are ignited an burned to produce solid and gaseous residues containing little or no combustible material." Based on this definition, the proposed GFT appears to qualify as an incinerator and would thus be subject to the particulate matter standards of NR 415.07. The applicable standard, contained in NR 415.07(2) for units rated at > 4,000 pounds of waste per hour commencing construction after April 1, 1972 is 0.20 pounds of particulate matter per 1,000 pounds of exhaust.

NR 431 - Control of Visible Emissions

NR 431 requires that sources constructed after February 1, 1975 not cause or allow emissions to exceed 20% opacity with the following two exceptions:

- 1. When combustion equipment is being cleaned or restarted, emissions may exceed 20% opacity but may not exceed 80% opacity for 5 minutes in any one hour;
- 2. Emissions may exceed 20% opacity for stated periods of time, as permitted by the department, for operating test, use of emergency equipment, or other good cause;

The 20% opacity limitation would be applicable to emission points at the GFT facility.

NR 445 - Control of Hazardous Pollutants

NR 445 is applicable to all sources of hazardous air contaminants, except where pollutant/source category specific standards under NR 446 – 449 or section 112 of the CAA (NESHAP) are applicable. In such cases, NR 445 does not apply for the specific pollutants regulated by the subsuming standard. For the GFT facility, NR 446 - Control of Mercury Emissions will be applicable (see below).

Under NR 445, a new source such as the GFT facility may not emit hazardous air contaminants listed in Tables 1 – 4 of NR 446.04 in excess of specified health based quantities and durations or above specific thresholds without meeting Best Available Control Technology (BACT) or Lowest Achievable Emission Rate (LAER) level emission control. Compliance with concentration-based limits may be demonstrated by showing that the concentration of a substance in the stack is less than the allowable ambient concentration or by dispersion modeling. Table 4-4 presents the NR 445.04 emission limits for toxic air contaminants identified as Contaminants of Concern (COC) in the Fox River site sediments.

Table 4-4. NR 445 Limits for Contaminants of Concern

Contaminant	NR 445.04	Limit
	Table No.	
PCB's	3, Group B	If emissions exceed 0.10 lb/yr, meet BACT level control
2,3,7,8-TCDD	3, Group B	If emissions exceed 0.0001 lb/yr, meet BACT level control
Deildrin	2	24-hr: Off property ambient concentration ≤ 2.4 % of TLV TWA 1-hr: Off property ambient concentration ≤ 10 % of TLV ceiling
Arsenic	3, Group A	If emissions exceed 25 lb/yr, meet LAER level control
Lead	N/A	
Mercury, elemental		Subject to NR 446, see below
Mercury alkyl compounds	1	24 hr. Off property ambient concentration
Mercury, all forms except alkyl, vapor	1	24-hr: Off property ambient concentration ≤ 2.4 % of TLV TWA 1-hr: Off property ambient concentration
Mercury aryl & inorganic compounds	1	≤ 10 % of TLV ceiling

Based on pilot scale GFT test results and scale-up estimate, compliance with NR 445 requirements should be readily demonstrable for the commercial-scale facility for the identified COCs. However, DNR may require source testing to verify/quantify emissions of these and/or other NR 445 regulated air contaminants.

NR 446 - Control of Mercury Emissions

The general mercury emissions limitation under NR 446 (ambient concentration of 1 μ g/m³, 30-day average) would be applicable to the GFT facility. Based on pilot scale GFT test results and preliminary dispersion modeling using a 95 foot stack height and 3 foot inside diameter, the ambient concentration for the commercial-scale plant was estimated at 0.0001 μ g/m³, well below the NR 446 allowable concentration.

4.5 Solid Waste

This section addresses Wisconsin solid waste regulations covering facility construction and operation. State solid waste regulations that apply are found at NR 500, 502, and 520. Hazardous waste requirements are discussed in Section 4.6. Details of solid waste regulations that would apply to the proposed GFT facility are presented in Table 4-5.

As was previously discussed in Section 4.3, the GFT facility would be regulated under s. 289.53 Stats. (Commercial PCB Waste Treatment and Storage Facilities). No implementing regulation was identified for this statute, which specifies that the facility comply with other solid waste statutes, namely:

- Submitting a feasibility report under s. 289.23 (1) to determine whether the site has potential for use in establishing a PCB waste storage or treatment facility.
- Complying with requirements for the preparation and contents of a feasibility report under s. 289.24 (1) including any special requirements for PCB waste storage or treatment facilities.
- Following the notice, hearing, procedure and other requirements under ss. 289.23 to
 289.29 including any environmental impact requirements.
- Complying with the requirements under s. 289.30 as if the facility were a solid waste disposal facility including all of the following:
 - O Submitting a plan of operation which complies with requirements for preparation and contents specified under s. 289.30 (4) including any special requirements for PCB waste storage or treatment facilities except the department may waive any requirement for proof of financial responsibility for long-term care.
 - o Constructing the facility in accordance with an approved plan of operation as required under s. 289.30 (8).
 - Operating the facility in accordance with the approved plan of operation subject to the sanctions under s. 289.30 (9).
- Complying with financial responsibility requirements under s. 289.41; and
- Obtaining an operating license under s. 289.31.

These statues are largely implemented in the NR 500 series regulations discussed in more detail below. DNR solid waste staff confirmed during a November 6, 2002 meeting that specific provisions of NR 502.04 (General Requirements) and 502.08 (Solid Waste Processing Facilities) would apply to the proposed GFT facility. Additionally, the solid waste general requirements of NR 500 would be applicable as well as the financial responsibility requirements of NR 520.

Table 4-5. Summary of Solid Waste Requirements

Regulatory	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable?	Comment
Citation			(Y/N)	
NR 500	General Solid Waste Management Requirements	500.04 – Requires an initial site inspection by DNR staff 500.05 – Contains initial submittal requirements 500.06 – Contains the requirements for a license application 500.065 – Specifies that DNR must make a determination on an initial application for a license within 65 business days of receipt, or refund the license application fee 500.07 – Specifies that DNR review and approve, deny or deem incomplete requests for plan approvals or exemptions within 65 business days of receiving the complete request 500.09 – Allows DNR to require a construction inspection, if they deem it necessary	Y	
NR 502		nsportation, Transfer, Incineration, Air Curtain Destructors, Processing, ing and Municipal Solid Waste Combustors (requirements are listed	Y	
NR 502.04	General Requirements	 502.04 (1) – Lists 6 performance standards the chosen site must meet for processing. The facility must not be constructed within an area where there is reasonable probability that the facility will cause any of the following: A detrimental effect on any surface water. A significant adverse impact on wetlands as provided in ch. NR 103. A detrimental effect on groundwater quality or will cause or exacerbate an attainment or exceedance of any preventative action limit or enforcement standard at a point of standards application as defined in ch. NR 140. A significant adverse impact on critical habitat areas. The migration and concentration of explosive gases in any facility structures, excluding any leachate collection system or 	Y	

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
		gas control or recovery system components or in the soils or air at or beyond the facility property boundary in excess of 25% of the lower explosive limit for such gases at any time.		
		6. The emission of any hazardous air contaminant exceeding the limitations for those substances contained in s. NR 445.04 or 445.05.		
		502.04 (2) – Requires owner/operator to submit a written request for an initial site inspection:		
		DNR staff must conduct inspection within 22 business days of receiving a complete request, although follow-up inspections may be required.		
		Within 22 business days of completing the inspection(s), DNR will issue an initial determination of the suitability of the site and may request additional studies or information.		
		This section also specifies what items must be included in the written request.		
		502.04(3) – Contains specific closure requirements:		
		 Within 5 calendar days after ceasing to accept waste at the facility, remove all putrescible waste and containerize, properly utilize or dispose of all other waste. 		
		Within 60 days after ceasing to accept waste at the facility, remove all waste.		
		At least 60 days prior to ceasing to accept waste at the facility for an extended period (or as soon as practical if due to unplanned or unforeseeable circumstances), notify DNR in writing and prominently post a sign at the facility notifying users of date waste acceptance will stop.		

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
		Within 60 days of ceasing to accept waste, close facility in accordance with approved plan of operation.		
		502.04(4) - DNR <u>may</u> require an Environmental Impact Report or Environmental Impact Statement		
		502.04(5) - DNR <u>may</u> require environmental monitoring including monitoring after facility closure		
		502.04(6) - DNR <u>may</u> require closure cost estimates and/or proof of financial responsibility for the cost of closure		
NR 502.05	Storage Facilities	502.05 (1)(a)1 – Comply with NR 502.04	Uncertain	Based on notes from a
		502.05 (1)(a)2 – Obtain approval of a plan of operation and an operating license from DNR		November 6, 2002 meeting with DNR solid waste staff, some of the requirements
		502.05 (1)(a)3 – Comply with noncontainerized storage requirements in sub. (6)		for solid waste storage facilities may be included in the GFT facility license.
		502.05 (1)(b) – Comply with locational criteria in sub. (4)		
		502.05 (4) – Specifies locational criteria. New solid waste storage facility may <u>not</u> be located in an area which is:		
		1. Within a floodplain.		
		2. Within 250 feet of any private water supply well, or within 1,200 feet of any public water supply well.		
		3. Within 250 feet of any navigable lake, pond or flowage.		
		4. Within 250 feet of any navigable river or stream.		
		5. Within 250 feet of land owned by a person other than the		

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summ	ary of Requirements	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
			owner or operator of the facility, unless the facility is screened by natural objects, plantings, fences or other appropriate means so that it is not visible from the property boundary.		
		6.	Within 1,000 feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way of any state trunk highway, interstate or federal aid primary highway or the boundary of any public park, unless the facility is screened by natural objects, plantings, fences or other appropriate means so that it is not visible from the highway or park.		
		7.	Within 10,000 feet of any airport runway used or planned to be used by turbojet aircraft or within 5,000 feet of any airport runway used only by piston type aircraft or within other areas where a substantial bird hazard to aircraft would be created. This criterion is applicable only when the facility will be used for handling putrescible waste.		
			(6) – Specifies minimum operational criteria. Must be operated dance with the approved plan and the following:		
		a.	All weather access shall be provided and maintained.		
		b.	Effective measures shall be taken to control flies, rodents and other vectors.		
		c.	Periodic maintenance or clean-up of the facility shall be conducted to keep it aesthetically pleasing and nuisance-free.		
		d.	Gates, fencing and an attendant shall be provided as specified by the department.		
		e.	Solid waste shall be disposed of at a licensed facility approved by the department.		
		f.	Solid waste may not be burned.		

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
		 g. The facility shall be operated and maintained in a sanitary, nuisance-free manner so as to protect the environment and the public health. h. Adequate drainage shall be maintained on and around the facility. 502.05 (8) – Requires the owner/operator to prepare a plan of operation, to obtain a plan of operation approval from DNR, and specifies minimum information that the plan of operation shall contain. 502.05 (9) – Requires the owner/operator to include in the plan of operation a set of engineering plans and maps, and specifies what these documents must contain. 502.05 (10) – DNR may require the submittal of a construction documentation report. 		
NR 502.08	Solid Waste Processing Facilities	 502.08 (1)(a) – Comply with NR 502.04, obtain approval of a plan of operation, and obtain an operating license from DNR 502.08 (1)(b) – Comply with locational criteria in sub. (3) 502.08 (3)(a) – Specifies locational criteria. New solid waste processing facility may not be located in an area which is within a floodplain. 502.08 (3)(b) – [Assuming that storage will be within a building] Possibly other locational criteria may be specified by DNR. 502.08 (4) – Requires the owner/operator to prepare a plan of operation, to obtain a plan of operation approval from DNR, and specifies minimum information that the plan of operation shall contain. 502.08 (5) – Requires the Plan of Operation contain a set of engineering plans and maps, and specifies what this package should contain. 	Y	

Regulatory Citation	Title	Summary of Requirements	Applicable? (Y/N)	Comment
		 502.08 (6) – Specifies minimum operational criteria. Must be operated in accordance with the approved plan. 502.08 (7) – DNR may require that a registered professional engineer document facility construction and render an opinion whether the facility has been constructed in substantial conformance with the approved plan. 502.08 (8) – DNR will specify monitoring to be performed based on a review of the potential for environmental pollution. 		
NR 520	Solid Waste Management Fees and Financial Responsibility Requirements	Specifies schedules of initial and annual fees for licenses, initial fees for plan approvals and other documents, and solid waste disposal fees. This chapter also specifies the requirements for completing closure cost estimates and providing proof of financial responsibility, including the Minimum Long Term Care Proof Period (in years).	Y	For storage facilities and incinerators, Closure Proof and the Minimum Long Term Care Proof Period is specified only if required in a Department Plan Approval.

4.5.1 General Requirements

The site ultimately chosen for the facility must meet the performance standards listed in NR 502.04(1). Once a site is chosen, an initial site inspection must be requested in writing, and will be conducted by DNR staff within 22 business days of receiving a complete request, although follow-up inspections may be required. Within 22 business days of completing the inspection(s), DNR would issue an initial determination of the suitability of the site and may request additional studies or information. DNR may require an Environmental Impact Report or Environmental Impact Statement (NR 502.04(4)), may require environmental monitoring including monitoring after facility closure (NR 502.04(5)), and may require closure cost estimates and proof of financial responsibility for the cost of closure (NR 502.04(6); NR 520). As shown in Table 4-5, there are also specific closure requirements listed in NR 502.04(3).

4.5.2 Specific Requirements

In addition to the general requirements in NR 502.04, specific requirements in NR 502.08 (solid waste processing facilities) would apply to the GFT facility. The chosen site must meet the locational criteria in NR 502.08(3), and the owner/operator must obtain from DNR an approval of the plan of operation [NR 502.08(4)], submit engineering plans [NR 502.08(5)], and comply with minimum operational requirements [NR 502.08(6)]. Construction documentation [NR 502.08(7)] may be required by DNR, and specific monitoring requirements [NR 502.08(8)] would be imposed.

4.5.3 Fees and Financial Responsibility

Solid waste license and review fees, environmental fees, and financial responsibility requirements are covered in NR 520 – Solid Waste Management Fees and Financial Responsibility Requirements. Table 4-5 contains the general NR 520 requirements for the proposed facility. Decisions yet to be made by DNR and EPA concerning coordinated approval will determine which financial responsibility regulations (those in NR 520 or those in 40 CFR Part 761, or both) would apply to the facility.

4.6 Hazardous Waste

Wisconsin hazardous waste regulations are found at NR 600 - 690. Generally, any facility engaged in treatment, storage or disposal (TSD) (including incineration) of hazardous waste must apply for a permit under these rules. In determining whether the proposed facility would require a TSD permit, it is first necessary to determine whether or not DNR has characterized the dewatered sediment as hazardous waste.

The Draft RI/FS and Proposed Plan for the Fox River site were reviewed for DNR's current characterization of Fox River sediments. Section 5.0 of the Draft RI Report includes extensive characterization data collected on samples of sediment, including several Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) test results. The test results indicate that the sediment does not exhibit the characteristic of toxicity. Additionally, Ed Lynch, the DNR Project Manager for the Fox River site, has indicated that DNR does not currently consider the dredged sediment to be hazardous because the sediment contamination did not result from discharge of any listed hazardous wastes to the Fox River, and the sediment does not exhibit the characteristic of toxicity. This investigation indicates that a TSD facility permit under NR 600-690 would <u>not</u> be required.

The proposed GFT facility may generate small amounts of hazardous waste incidental to operations (i.e., from the maintenance activities, painting, etc.), as well as used oil and universal waste (waste batteries, pesticides, thermostats, etc.). If so, the facility would need to comply with provisions of the Wisconsin and federal hazardous waste regulations applicable to generators of hazardous waste, used oil and universal wastes. However, except for the need to apply for and obtain an EPA generator ID number, there are no permitting requirements for hazardous waste generators.

4.7 Wastewater

The proposed GFT facility design includes a wastewater discharge of approximately 100 gallons per minute (gpm) or < 0.2 million gallons per day (mgd). The wastewater stream would be comprised of dryer condensate, scrubber blowdown, cooling tower blowdown, and potentially sediment leachate (there may also be sanitary waste from bathrooms and sinks). Minergy proposes to discharge the GFT facility process wastewater either to a nearby sediment dredging/dewatering facility with a permitted Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) wastewater treatment plant, or to a Publicly Owner Treatment Works (POTW) following on-site pre-treatment. For the purpose of this study, it was assumed that no direct surface or groundwater discharge would be sought for the GFT facility and that, except for storm water, a WPDES permit would not be required pursuant to NR Chapter 200.

Pre-treatment standards for new sources (PSNS) are applicable to sources discharging wastewater to POTW's and are contained in federal Effluent Standards (40 CFR 400 – 499) and NR Chapter 200. Two pretreatment standards would potentially be applicable to the GFT facility wastewater: General Pretreatment Standards (40 CFR 403 and NR 211) and Pretreatment Standards for the Centralized Waste Treatment (CWT) Point Source Category (40 CFR 437). General pretreatment standards include limitations on water quality and characteristics such as pH, flash point, solid and viscous pollutants, BOD, heat, oil content, and gaseous pollutants. PSNS for the CWT source category include concentration limitations for metals, oils, and organics. Table 4-6 presents a summary of PSNS requirements contained in 40 CFR 437.

Table 4-6. Summary of CWT Pretreatment Standards

Pollutant/Parameter	PSNS Limit	PSNS Limit
BOD ₅	(Max. daily mg/l) 163	(Max. monthly mg/l) 53.0
O&G	127	38.0
PH	6 -	- 9
TSS	29.6	11.3
Antimony	0.111	0.0312
Arsenic	0.0933	0.0199
Cadmium	0.0172	0.0102
Chromium	0.167	0.0522
Cobalt	0.182	0.0733
Copper	0.659	0.216
Lead	0.350	0.160
Mercury	0.000641	0.000246
Molybdenum	1.01	0.965
Nickel	0.794	0.309
Selenium	0.176	0.0698
Silver	0.0318	0.0122
Tin	0.0955	0.0367
Titanium	0.0159	0.00612
Vanadium	0.0628	0.0518
Zinc	0.657	0.252
Acetone	30.2	7.97
Acetophenone	0.114	0.0562
Aniline	0.0333	0.0164
Bis (2-ethylhexyl) phthalate	0.215	0.101
2-Buanone	4.81	1.85
Butylbenzyl phthalate	0.188	0.0887
Carbazole	0.598	0.276
o-Cresol	1.92	0.561
p-Cresol	0.698	0.205
n-Decane	0.948	0.437
2,3-Dichloroanaline	0.0731	0.0361
Fluoranthene	0.0537	0.0268

Pollutant/Parameter	PSNS Limit	PSNS Limit
	(Max. daily mg/l)	(Max. monthly mg/l)
n-Octadecane	0.589	0.302
Phenol	3.65	1.08
Pyridine	0.370	0.182
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	0.155	0.106

Permitting requirements for wastewater discharges to a POTW would include a sewer use ordinance and a pretreatment permit, both issued by the subject municipality or control authority. Per NR 108, DNR must review and approve the pretreatment system plans and specifications. Also, operator training and certification requirements are applicable to industrial pretreatment plants (NR 114).

4.8 Storm Water

If the facility is considered off-site, storm water permitting will be required for both construction activities and for the fully operational facility. If the facility is located on-site, both construction and operation will have ARARs for storm water discharges. This section discusses storm water permitting requirements for both facility construction and facility operation.

4.8.1 Construction Activities

Owners or operators of most construction projects where five or more acres of land will be disturbed must obtain a WPDES Construction Site Erosion Control and Storm Water Discharge Permit. Construction sites that obtain an equivalent permit or approval from the Wisconsin Department of Commerce or Department of Transportation do not need a Construction Site Erosion Control Permit from the DNR. For all other construction sites where five or more acres of land will be disturbed, owners or operators are required to obtain a WPDES Construction Site Erosion Control and Storm Water Discharge Permit. For construction of commercial facilities such as the GFT facility, the Department of Commerce issues the storm water construction permit. It should be noted that rule changes expected in 2003 will reduce the size of construction

sites requiring this type of permit from **five or more** acres to **one or more** acres. This permit should be applied for at least 14 days prior to starting construction, and the application package must include Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPs) for both construction activities and the operating facility.

Applicable requirements include:

- Completion/submittal of forms for approval by Dept. of Commerce; and
- Complete and submit SWPPPs. The SWPPPs would include Best Management Practices
 (BMPs) designed to minimize the entrainment of silt.

4.8.2 GFT Facility

Chapter NR 216 of the Wis. Administrative Code contains a list of industrial facilities that must obtain a storm water discharge permit. The determination of whether or not an industrial facility must obtain a storm water discharge permit is based both on the facility's Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code and whether or not the facility has the potential to contaminate storm water. The Department confers coverage for general industrial storm water discharges based on a three-tiered system. This system groups facilities by industry and how likely they are to contaminate storm water. These general permits (called Tier 1, Tier 2 and Tier 3 permits) differ in chemical monitoring requirements, inspection frequency, plan development requirements and the annual permit fee.

The SIC code of the proposed GFT facility has not yet been determined. As such, the facility could be subject to the requirements of either the Tier 1 general permit or the Tier 2 general permit, depending on the SIC code that is assigned. Alternatively, DNR staff could request the facility owner/operator to apply for a specific storm water permit.

The general storm water permit for the facility must be applied for at least 6 months prior to facility operation, on permit application forms supplied by the Department. This would involve

completing a Notice of Intent (NOI) to be covered by the applicable general permit. Applicable requirements of a Tier 2 general permit would include:

- Identify and eliminate non-permitted outfalls
- Follow good housekeeping practices
- Complete annual facility site compliance inspections
- Complete quarterly visual monitoring
- Develop a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP)
- Implement source-area BMPs per the SWPPP
- Submit a permit fee annually (currently \$100)

A Tier 1 general permit would contain the following additional requirements:

- Perform annual chemical monitoring
- Submit a permit fee annually (currently \$200)

4.9 Wetlands

Section 404 of the Clean Water Act authorizes the Army Corps of Engineers to issue permits for the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the United States, including wetlands. In general, for any given site the Corps does not permit the discharge of dredge or fill material to a wetland if there is a practicable alternative to the proposed discharge, which would have less adverse impact.

The locational criteria for new solid waste processing facilities in NR 502.08(3) prohibit construction of the GFT facility within a floodplain (see Table 4-5). This prohibition would mean that most candidate sites would not contain wetlands. Nonetheless, to avoid having to apply for and comply with this type of permit, all potential sites should be carefully reviewed to ensure that they do not have wetlands.